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THE KINGDOM OF BOHEMIA, IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD 1420.
WHAT TRANSPIRED HERE WAS NO WAR...
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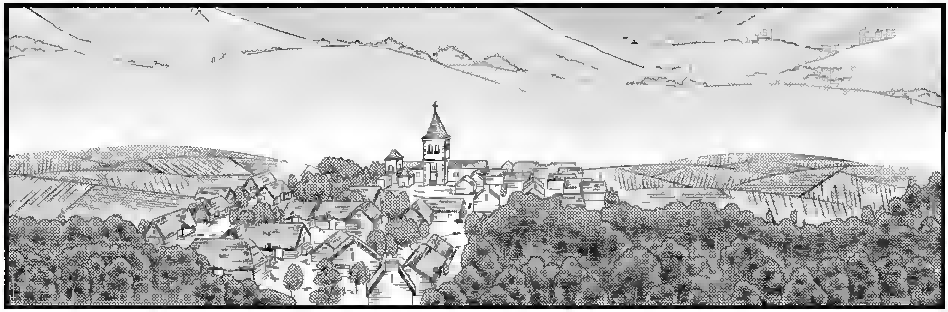
...IT
WAS
A
MASSACRE.

DANA...
ŠÁRKA
RUN
SAVE
YOUR



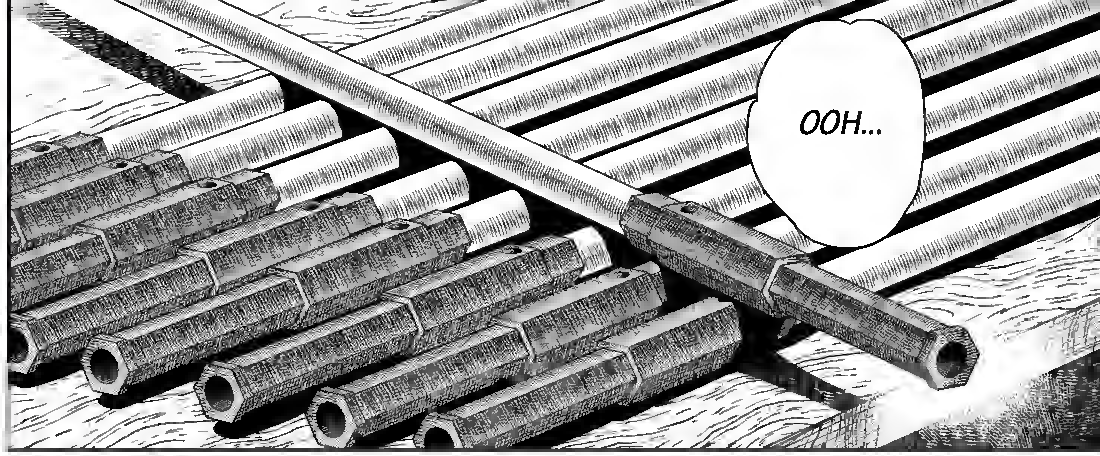
NO...
LET ME
GO!
ŠÁRKA!
MAMA!
MAMA!

ドン!!
ドン!!
WELL, WELL... WHAT HAVE WE HERE?
SO BEAUTIFUL, SO PERFECT..
AN ANGEL!

EEEK!
ドサッ
WHAA.
SHE'S DEAD?
I...
UH...
カミュ

PLZEŇ
WESTERN BOHEMIA

GOING HARD AT IT, LADS?
HEY IT'S CAPTAIN ŽIŽKA! AND VLASTA!
KAREL, DID YOU MANAGE TO COMPLETE MY REQUEST?
FUTURE OR NOT THEY'LL DEFINITELY COME IN HANDY DURING SIEGES...
YES, SIR!
HEH HEH HEH! THESE GUNS WILL BE THE FUTURE!
YOU'VE STEPPED UP PRO DUCTION [illegible]TER HROMÁDKA!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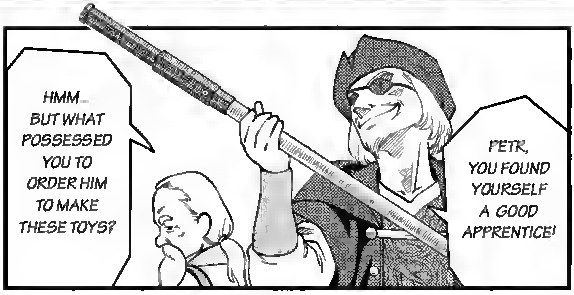
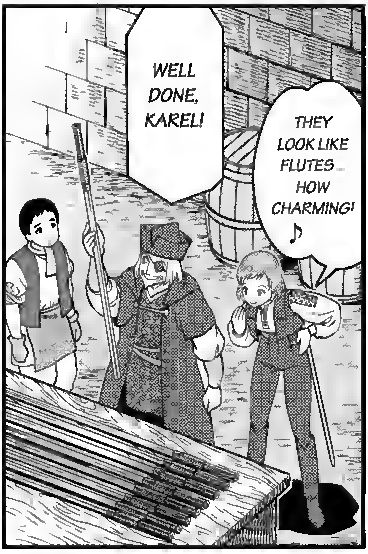
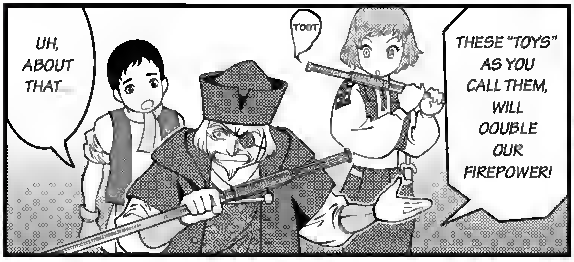
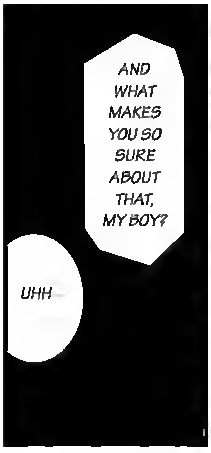

HMM... BUT WHAT POSSESSED YOU TO ORDER HIM TO MAKE THESE TOYS?
PETR, YOU FOUND YOURSELF A GOOD APPRENTICE!


WELL DONE, KAREL!
THEY LOOK LIKE FLUTES... HOW CHARMING! ♪

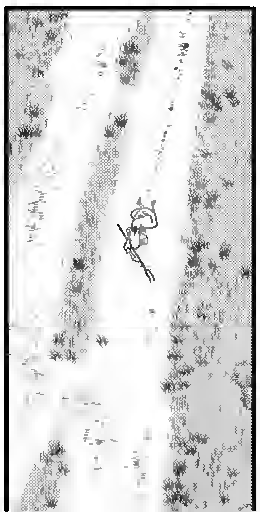

UH, ABOUT THAT...
TOOT!
THESE "TOYS" AS YOU CALL THEM, WILL DOUBLE OUR FIREPOWER!

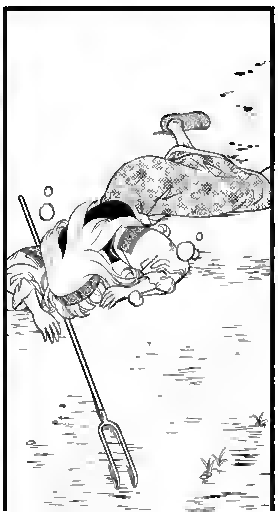

AND WHAT MAKES YOU SO SURE ABOUT THAT, MY BOY?
UHH...

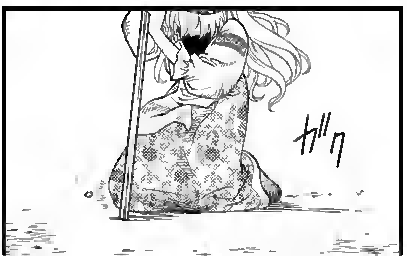
NO USE?

THEY WON'T BE OF ANY USE ON THE BATTLE-FIELD...
BUT THESE STILL LACK THE POWER AND RANGE OF THE CROSSBOWS...
I'VE TRIED TO MAKE THEM AS SMALL AS POSSIBLE, AS YOU INSTRUCTED...

DO YOU EVEN KNOW WHAT GOES ON DURING A BATTLE?







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EEK!
WATCH OUT!
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VLASTA!
IS SHE UP?
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HEY! YOU'VE WOKEN UP!
...
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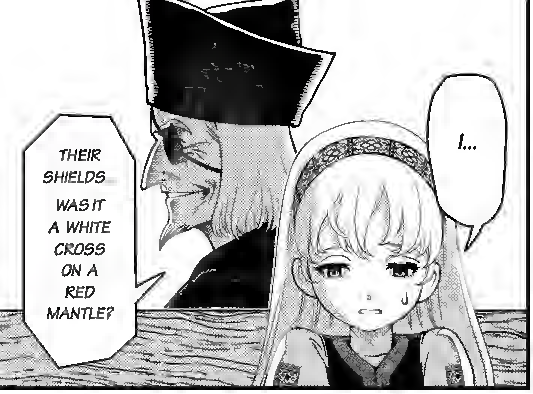
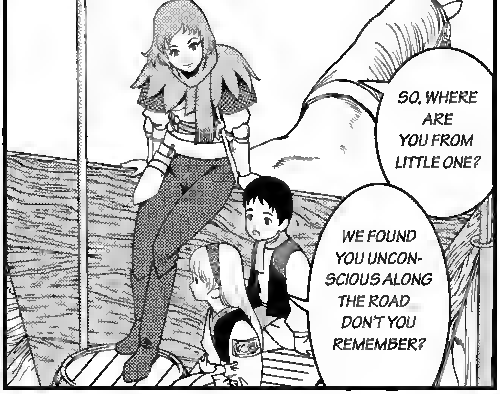
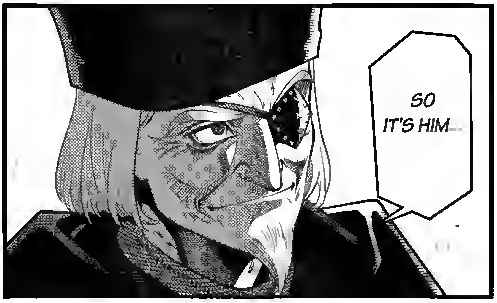
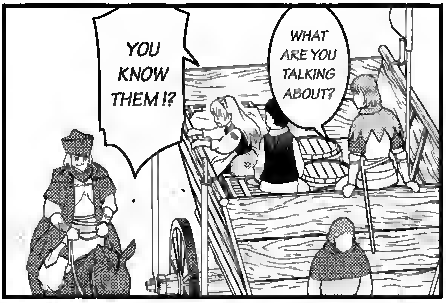
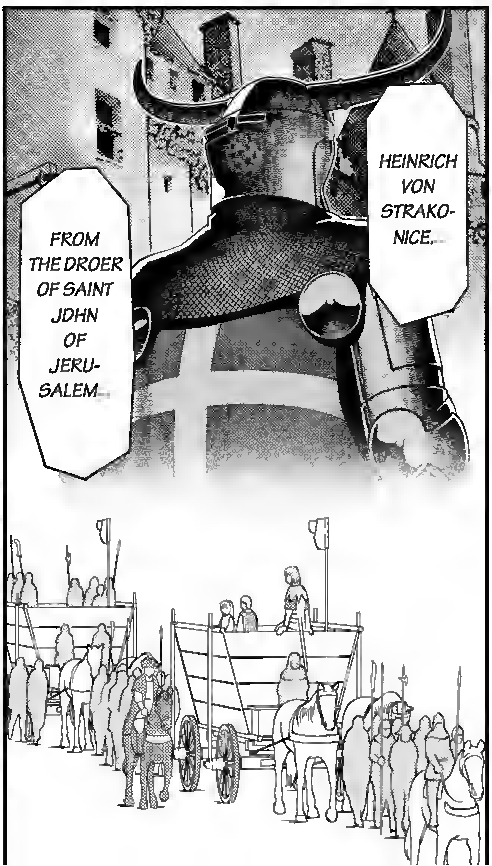

THEIR SHIELDS... WAS IT A WHITE CROSS ON A RED MANTLE?
I...


SO, WHERE ARE YOU FROM LITTLE ONE?
WE FOUND YOU UNCONSCIOUS ALONG THE ROAD... DON'T YOU REMEMBER?


SO IT'S HIM...


YOU KNOW THEM!?
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?

A REGULAR PARTICIPANT OF THE PRUSSIAN CRUSADES UP NORTH...
HE IS A PILLAGER AND A KILLER...
A MONSTROUS GIANT WHO LUSTS AFTER LITTLE GIRLS
AND DARES BOAST THE NUMBER OF HERETICS HE'S DEFILED!

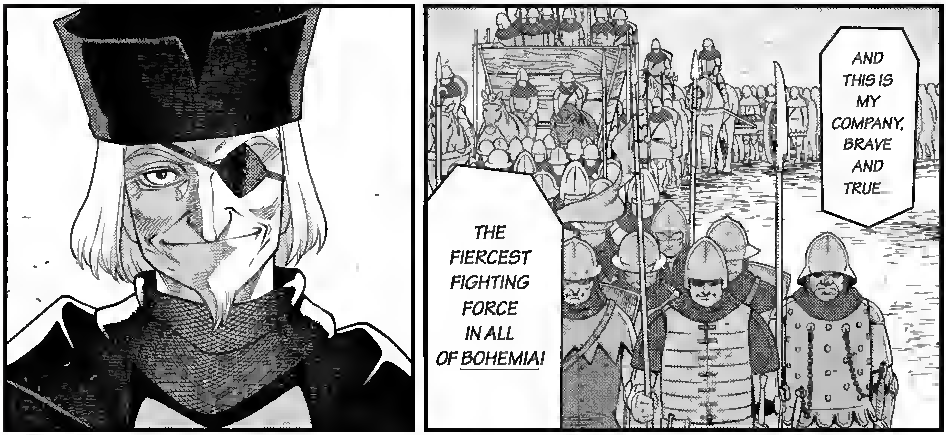

FROM THE ORDER OF SAINT JOHN OF JERUSALEM...
HEINRICH VON STRAKONICE...

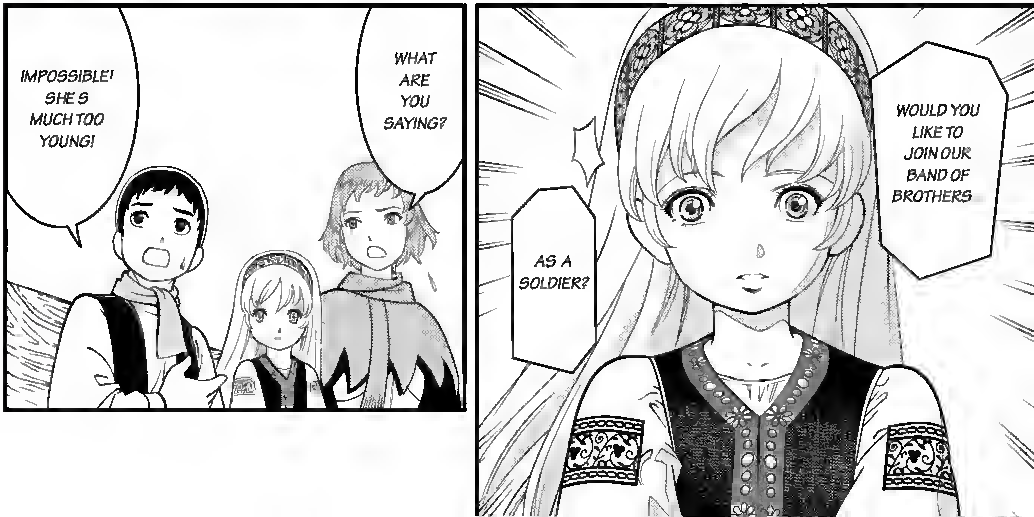
...
BUT THAT MEANS...
A NEW "HUNT" HAS BEGUN...
IT HURTS... SO MUCH.
COULDN'T STOP BLEED-ING...
I THOUGHT I WAS GOING TO DIE...
BUT I DIDN'T DIE...

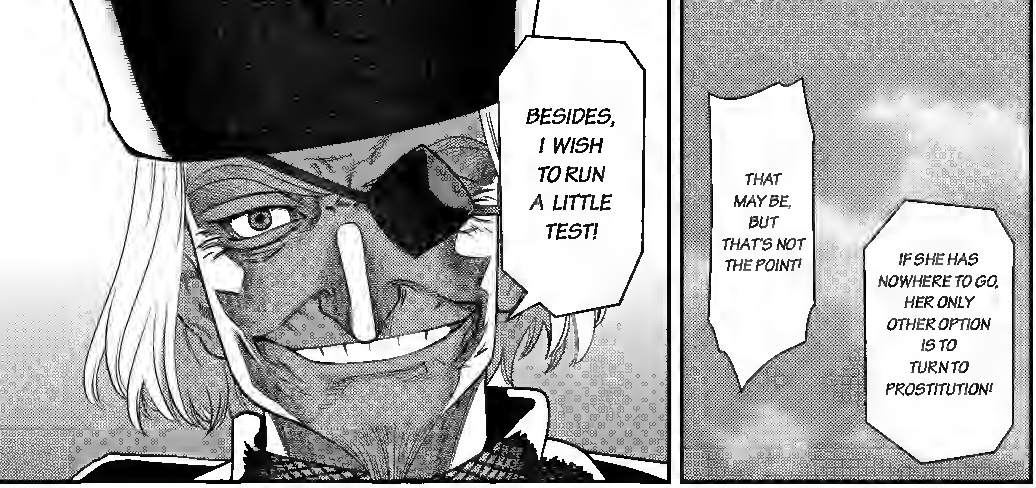
I AM THE ONLY ONE—
WHO DIDN'T DIE...

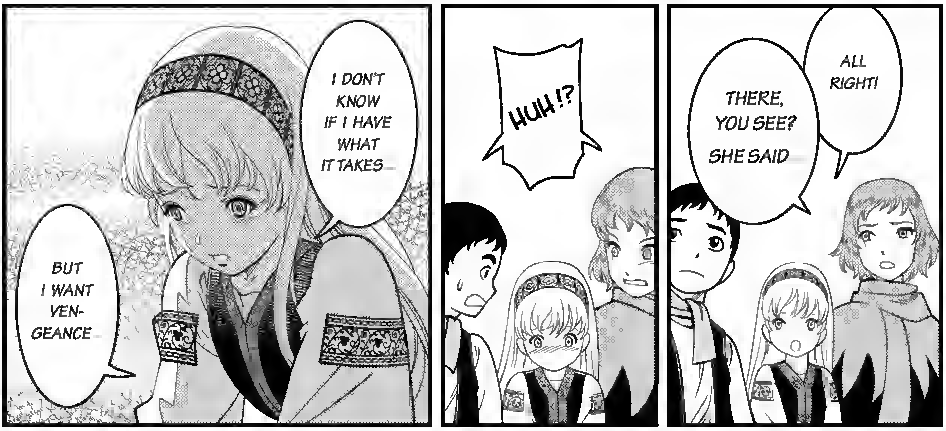
THE
ONLY
ONE...

MEN CALL ME ŽIŽKA, THE "ONE-EYED" OF TROCHNOVA...
THE HORROR.
STOP! SAY NO MORE!
PAPA...
MAMA...


AND THIS IS MY COMPANY, BRAVE AND TRUE...
THE FIERCEST FIGHTING FORCE IN ALL OF BOHEMIA!


IMPOSSIBLE! SHE'S MUCH TOO YOUNG!
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?
AS A SOLDIER?
WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN OUR BAND OF BROTHERS


BESIDES, I WISH TO RUN A LITTLE TEST!
THAT MAY BE, BUT THAT'S NOT THE POINT!
IF SHE HAS NOWHERE TO GO, HER ONLY OTHER OPTION IS TO TURN TO PROSTITUTION!


I DON'T KNOW IF I HAVE WHAT IT TAKES...
BUT I WANT VEN-GEANCE...
HUH!?
ALL RIGHT!
THERE, YOU SEE? SHE SAID

ŠÁ.. ŠÁRKA.
YOUR NAME?
...
I WANT TO TRY!

ŠÁRKA, TAKE THIS "PÍŠŤALA"...
AND FIGHT BY MY SIDE!

THIS IS HOW YOU INTEND TO DOUBLE YOUR FIREPOWER?
AND BE SURE TO STAY STILL ALL THE WAY THRU!
AND THAT YOU CAN LEARN HOW TO USE IT FAIRLY QUICKLY, BUT STILL...
I DO GET THAT WOMEN AND CHILDREN CAN HANDLE THIS WEAPON...
FIRST, YOU POUR THE GUNPOWDER IN, THEN THE BALL...
THAT'S IT.
BUT A CHILD SIMPLY HAS NO PLACE ON THE BATTLEFIELD!
I DISAPPROVE OF YOUR DECISION ON THIS, JAN!
I'D GLADLY WELCOME ANY ABLE-BODIED HELP WE CAN GET - MAN OR WOMAN...
WHO YOU CALLIN' MONSTER?
OR ARE YOU THAT MUCH OF A MONSTER, VLASTA?
IF WE NEED SOLDIERS, SHOULDN'T WE JUST RECRUIT MORE MEN?

AND I... I FORGED THE WEAPON SO THAT SOMEONE LIKE HER COULD KILL...
I HIT THE TARGET!
I DID IT!
THE BATTLES AHEAD WILL NOT BE AS KIND AND FORGIVING!
SPARE ME THE SENTIMENTAL DRIBBLE!
AHHH~, DINNER TIME!
EH?

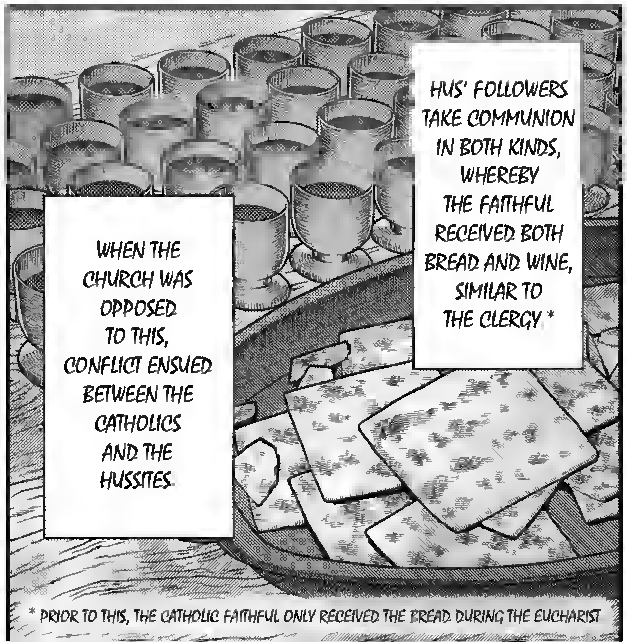
THAT YOU, KAREL?
TAKING OVER THE WATCH!
IS SHE GONE?
SHE SAID SHE'D BE BACK, BUT...
MAYBE
THAT GIRL SHOULD NOT BE LEADING A SOLDIER'S LIFE!
BRRR IT'S FREEZING!
IT'S PROBABLY FOR THE BEST.
MAYBE THE CHIEF'S BEING TOO HARD ON HER.
SHE'S BEEN TRAINING FOR DAYS ON END NOW...
CAPTAIN ŽIŽKA SAYS RUNNING IS THE MOST ESSENTIAL PART OF BEING A SOLOIER!
NO, I'VE BEEN OUT RUNNING!
DID YOU FORGET SOME-THING?
...
HH
HH
A HH
A HH

KAREL,
WHAT DID CAPTAIN ŽIŽKA MEAN BY THE "HUNT"?
I AM TIRED!
AREN'T YOU TIRED? YOU'VE BEEN TRAINING NIGHT AND DAY...
I'VE BEEN HAVING TROUBLE SLEEPING!
IT'S JUST THAT
AT LEAST I'M NOT BLEEDING ANYMORE
IT HURTS A LITTLE WHEN I RUN, BUT...
WHOA!
I REMEMBER MAMA AND PAPA CRYING WITH JOY OVER THAT...
YES, THEY OID GIVE US WINE DURING MASS...
THE "HUSSITES"?

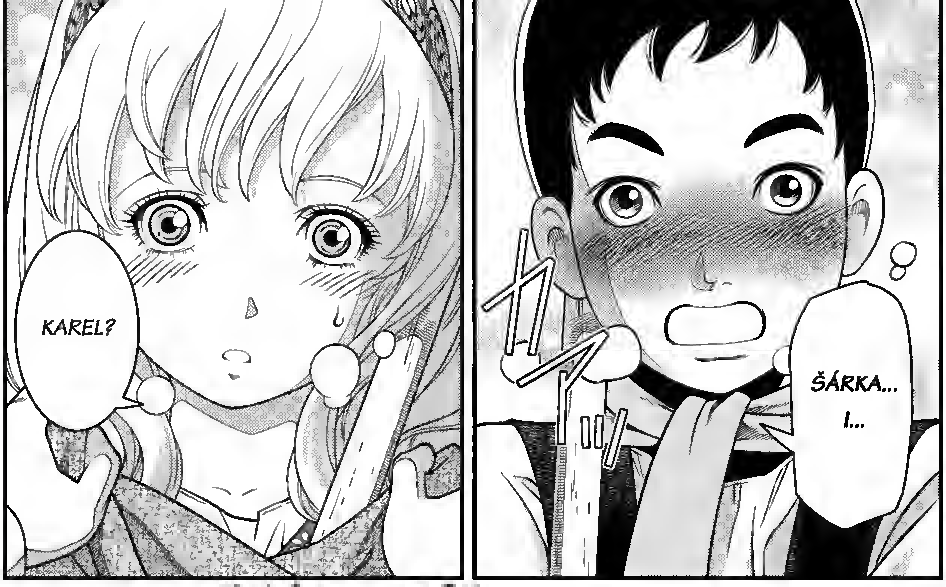
THEY KILLED JAN HUS, AND BRANDED US HERETICS...
THE CATHOLICS REFUSED TO RECOGNIZE US!
NO, THEY ARE THE ONES WHO ARE WRONG!
IT WAS WRONG?

FIVE YEARS PRIOR, A PRAGUE THEOLOGIAN NAMED JAN HUS WAS BURNED AT THE STAKE AS A HERETIC FOR OPPOSING CHURCH CORRUPTION...
LIKE THAT KNIGHT WHO ATTACKED YOUR VILLAGE...
AND NOW, THE HUSSITES ARE BESET ON ALL SIDES BY ALL COMERS...

MY PARENTS DID NOTHING WRONG
BUT I AM GLAD TO KNOW...
I DON'T PRETEND TO UNDERSTAND ALL THIS...

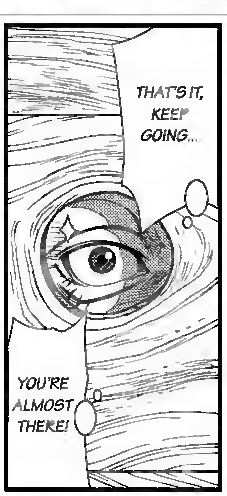

WHEN THE CHURCH WAS OPPOSED TO THIS, CONFLICT ENSUED BETWEEN THE CATHOLICS AND THE HUSSITES.
HUS' FOLLOWERS TAKE COMMUNION IN BOTH KINDS, WHEREBY THE FAITHFUL RECEIVED BOTH BREAD AND WINE, SIMILAR TO THE CLERGY.*
* PRIOR TO THIS, THE CATHOLIC FAITHFUL ONLY RECEIVED THE BREAD DURING THE EUCHARIST

I'M AT A LOSS WITH ALL THIS WARFARE STUFF
SO CHANCES ARE I'LL BE KILLED AS SOON AS THE FIGHTING STARTS..
BA-BUMP
SURE THEY ARE!
BA-BUMP
THAT MEANS MAMA AND PAPA ARE IN HEAVEN NOW, RIGHT?
BUT IF THAT MEANS JOINING MY PARENTS, THEN I DON'T MIND. ♪
BUT...
NO!
SO THAT'S WHY
SHE WANTS TO FIGHT BECAUSE SHE WANTS TO...
I'M SORRY
I'LL PRO-TECT YOU!
HUH...? WHAT
DON'T EVEN DARE THINK THAT!
YOU MUST LIVE!
FOR ALL THOSE WHO'VE DIED!


KAREL?
ŠÁRKA... I...

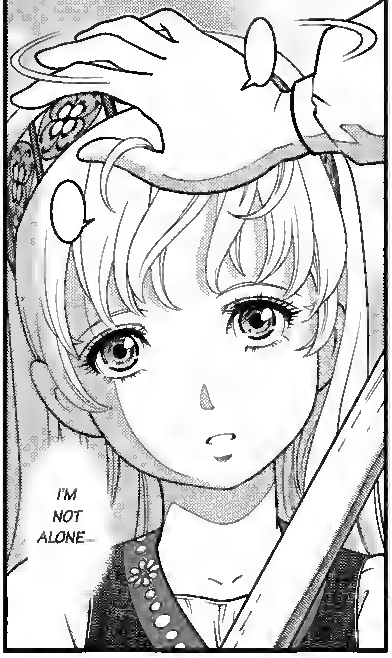
YEOW!

EEK!
WHAT... ARE YOU ALL DOING?
DON'T PUSH!


THAT'S IT, KEEP GOING...
YOU'RE ALMOST THERE!

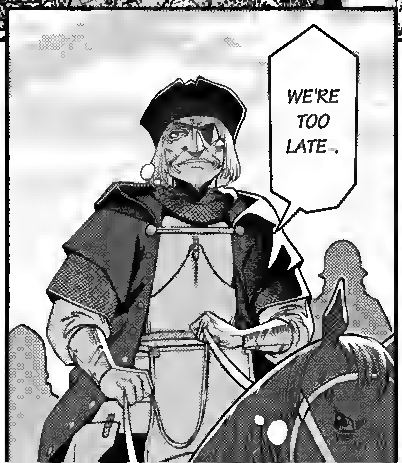
I WON THE BET!
WHAT IS GOING ON HERE!?
YOU TOO, CAPTAIN!?
OH NO, THIS DOESN'T COUNT!

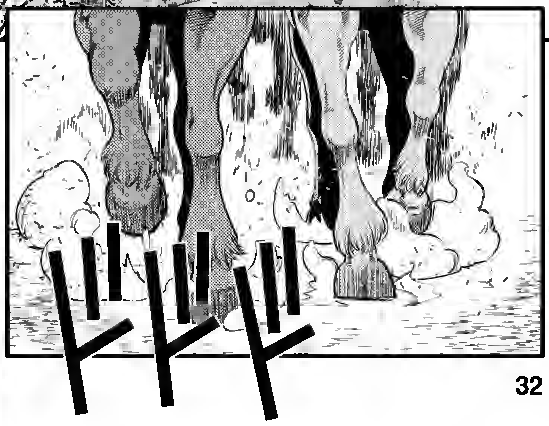
WHAA ...?
ひっくりしたぁ!

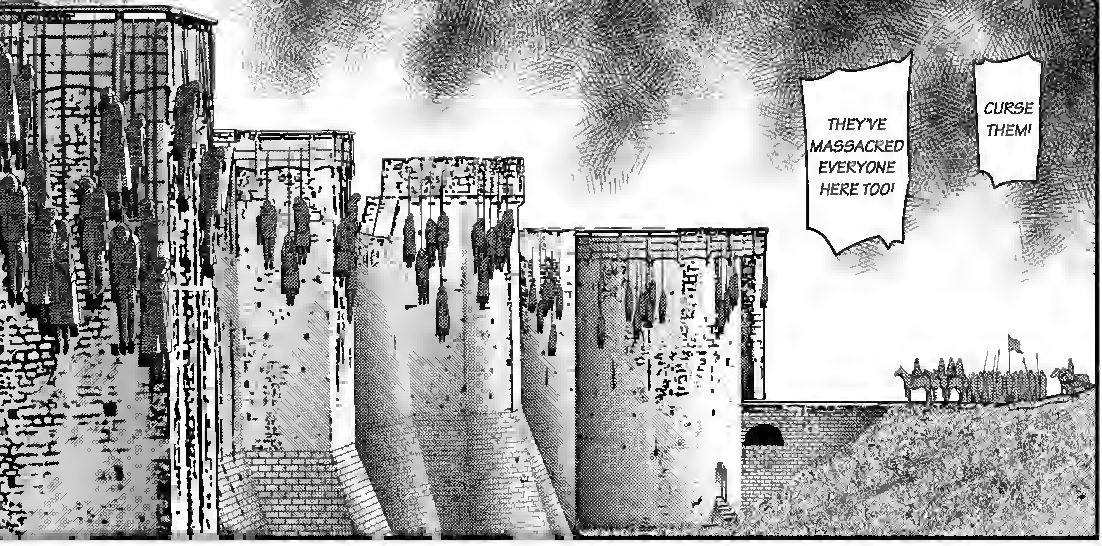

I'M NOT ALONE...

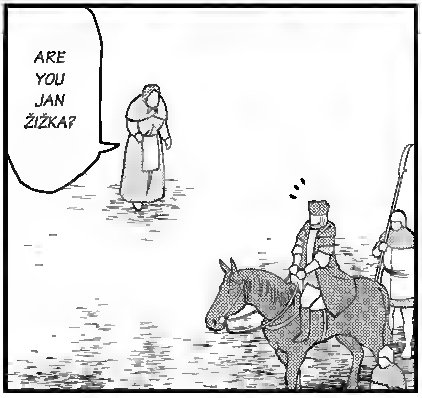
YOU'RE NOT ALONE ANY MORE!
KAREL IS RIGHT, Y'KNOW...
THANK YOU, VLASTA!

WHY DIDN'T YOU JUST KISS HER !?
I LOST A BUNDLE BECAUSE OF YOU !!
WAAAH... YOU'RE ALL MEAN !!!

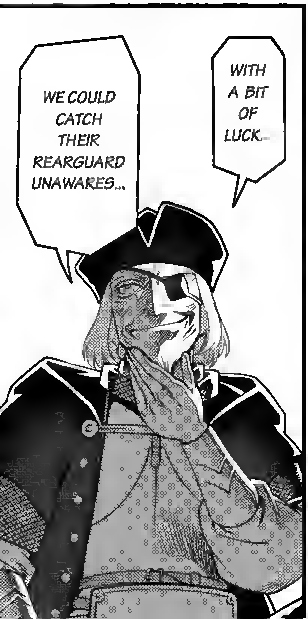

WE'RE TOO LATE...

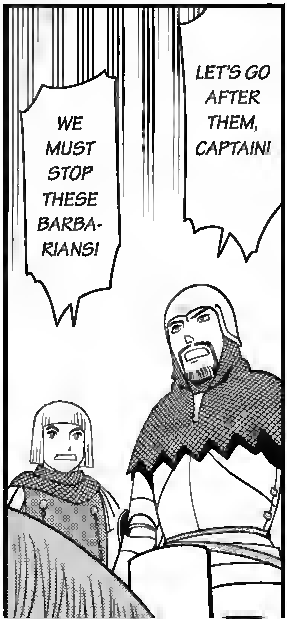


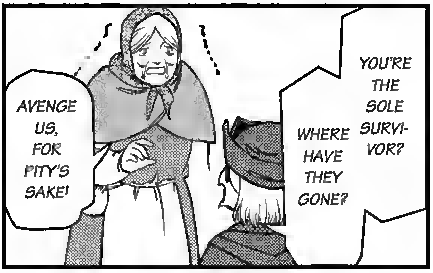

THEY'VE MASSACRED EVERYONE HERE TOO!
CURSE THEM!

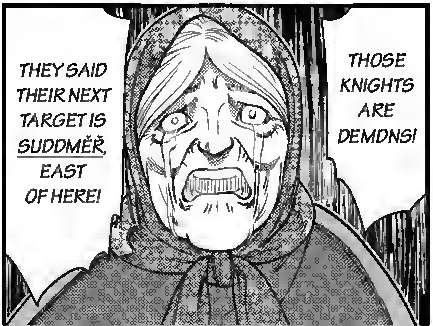

ARE YOU JAN ŽIŽKA?

JUST LIKE MY VILLAGE...
HE DESTROYS EVERYTHING IN HIS PATH, AND THIS DAMN HEINRICH CLAIMS TO FIGHT FOR THE CROSS?

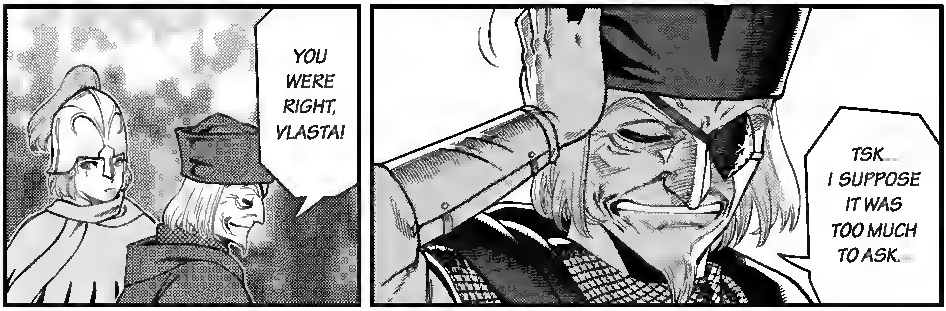

WE COULD CATCH THEIR REARGUARD UNAWARES...
WITH A BIT OF LUCK...

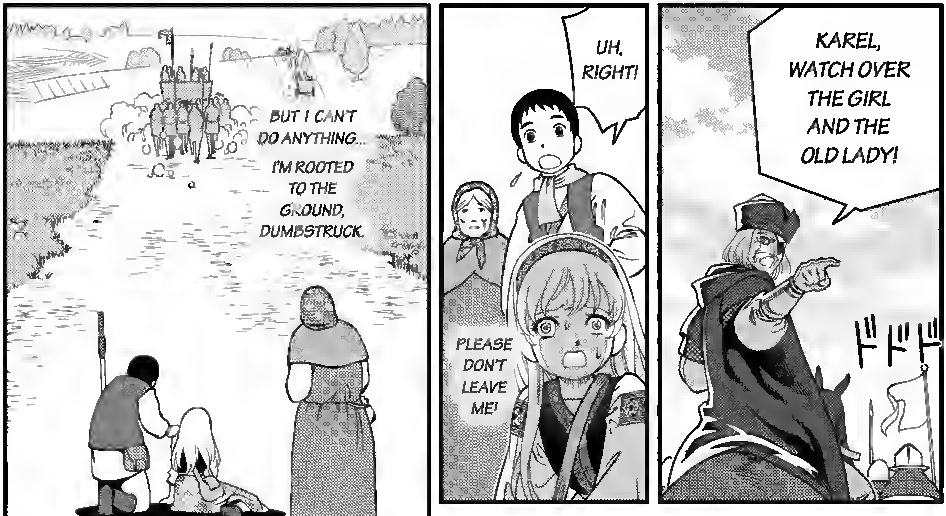

WE MUST STOP THESE BARBARIANS!
LET'S GO AFTER THEM, CAPTAIN!


AVENGE US, FOR PITY'S SAKE!
WHERE HAVE THEY GONE?
YOU'RE THE SOLE SURVIVOR?


THEY SAID THEIR NEXT TARGET IS SUDOMĚŘ, EAST OF HERE!
THOSE KNIGHTS ARE DEMONS!

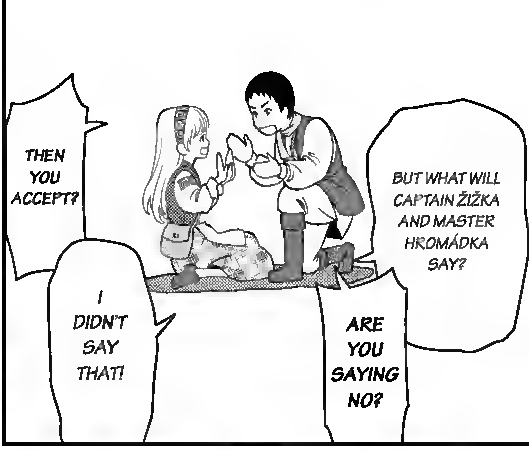
IF YOU CAN'T KEEP UP, WE'LL HAVE TO LEAVE YOU BEHIND!
HEY, WHAT'S WRONG?
ON-WARD!

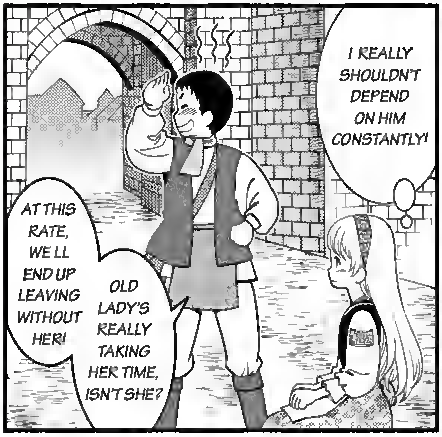

YOU WERE RIGHT, VLASTA!
TSK... I SUPPOSE IT WAS TOO MUCH TO ASK...

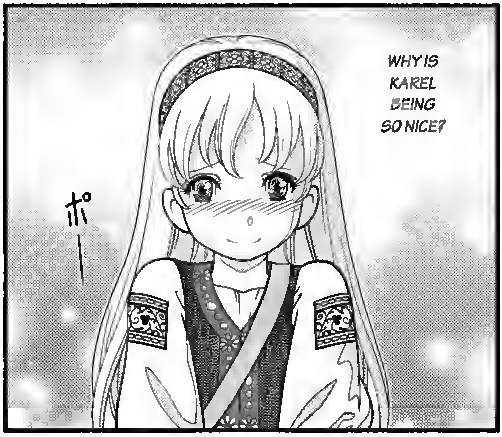

BUT I CAN'T DO ANYTHING...
I'M ROOTED TO THE GROUND, DUMBSTRUCK.
UH, RIGHT!
PLEASE DON'T LEAVE ME!
KAREL, WATCH OVER THE GIRL AND THE OLD LADY!

STAY HERE WHILE I GATHER MY THINGS
THANKS, MA'AM!
DON'T WORRY, SHE'LL BE ALL RIGHT!
AND BREATHE OUT...
STAY CALM, AND TAKE A DEEP BREATH SLOWLY
HHH
HHH
EXCEPT SHAKE LIKE A LEAF...
I CAN'T DO ANY-THING...
I'M SORRY FOR BEING SO USELESS
I HATE THIS WAR JUST AS MUCH AS YOU DO!
HUH?
LET'S GET MARRIED AND FIND SOMEWHERE WHERE WE CAN LIVE IN PEACE!
I CAN FIND WORK ANYWHERE, 'COS EVERYONE NEEDS A BLACK-SMITH!
MARRY ME, ŠÁRKA!

WOO-HOO!!!
SHE SAID "I GUESS"!
I GUESS


THEN YOU ACCEPT?
I DIDN'T SAY THAT!
ARE YOU SAYING NO?
BUT WHAT WILL CAPTAIN ŽIŽKA AND MASTER HROMÁDKA SAY?


I REALLY SHOULDN'T DEPEND ON HIM CONSTANTLY!
AT THIS RATE, WE'LL END UP LEAVING WITHOUT HER!
OLD LADY'S REALLY TAKING HER TIME, ISN'T SHE?


WHY IS KAREL BEING SO NICE?
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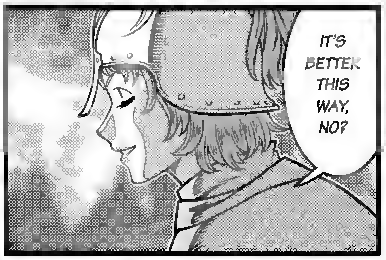
AND YET, THE MORE I THINK ABOUT IT, THE MORE I FEEL SOMETHING DOESN'T FEEL RIGHT...
HUH?

BAH, IT'S NOT LIKE I HAD HIGH HOPES FOR THEM TO BEGIN WITH!
AND I SAY TO YOU: THOSE TOY GUNS WILL MAKE NO DIFFERENCE WHATSOEVER!


IT'S BETTER THIS WAY, NO?

THOSE TWO SHOULDN'T BE IN COMBAT ANYWAY...
RIGHT, MASTER HROMÁDKA?
I WILL MISS THEM THOUGH

AH, THERE SHE IS!
MA'AM
MAYBE I'M JUST WORRYING TOO MUCH...
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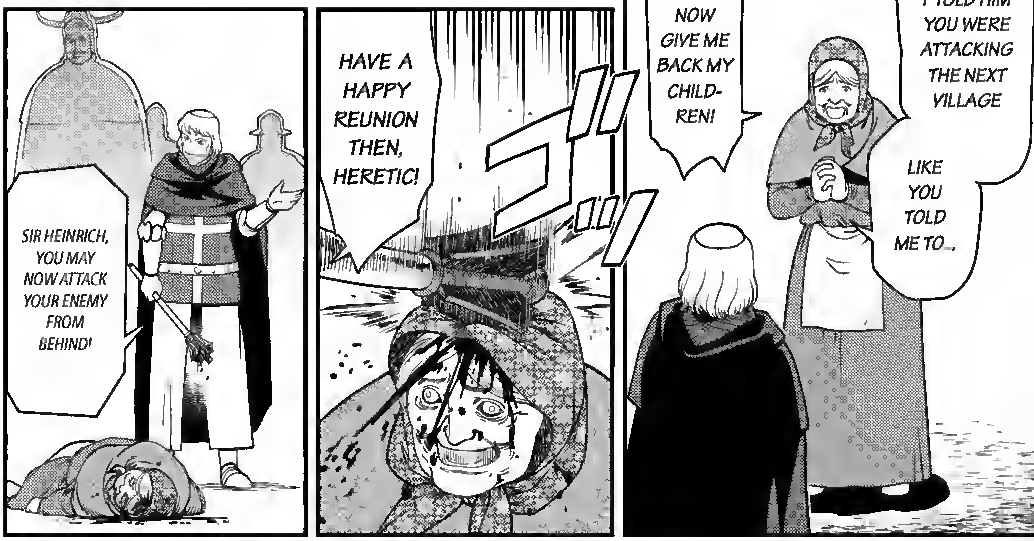
THEY WERE HIDING IN THE TOWN?
WHAT ARE THESE KNIGHTS DOING HERE?


I TOLD HIM YOU WERE ATTACKING THE NEXT VILLAGE
LIKE YOU TOLD ME TO...
NOW GIVE ME BACK MY CHILD-REN!
HAVE A HAPPY REUNION THEN, HERETIC!
SIR HEINRICH, YOU MAY NOW ATTACK YOUR ENEMY FROM BEHIND!

I DO NOT APPRECIATE THESE TRICKS...
JUST FOR THE SAKE OF A FEW HUNDRED MERCE-NARIES...
JAN ŽIŽKA ISN'T KNOWN AS THE "KILLER OF KNIGHTS" FOR NOTHING...
NOW THAT HE'S THROWN HIS LOT IN WITH THE HUSSITES...
I KNOW, I KNOW... WE MUST EXTERMINATE EVERY LAST ONE, HIM INCLUDED!
!
A TRAP! WE MUST WARN THE OTHERS!

HE'S THE ONE WHO KILLED THEM ALL!
MURDER-ER!
I MUST AVENGE THEM!
AND HIS HEAVY, HEAVY SWORD
HE'S JUST TOO BIG... TOO STRONG...
SO... AFRAID!
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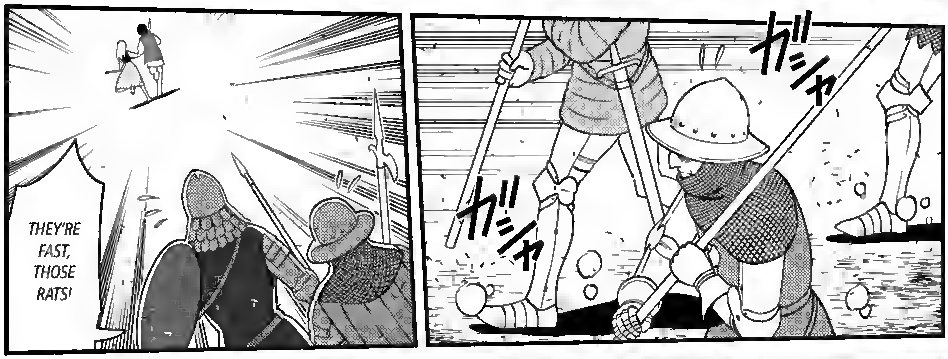
WHAT'S THIS?
ANOTHER MOUSE STILL LEFT IN THE CORNER?
AND SHE PLANS TO BEAT ME UP WITH A STICK?

!?
...!
BUT I DIDN'T SHOOT...
WHAT WAS THAT?
A HOLE IN HIS ARMOUR?
HE'S DEAD?
ŠÁRKA, OVER HERE!
RIGHT!

AFTER THEM!
DON'T LET THEM ESCAPE!


THEY'RE FAST, THOSE RATS!
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DON'T FORGET YOUR PROMISE, OKAY?
YES! I'M SORRY
YOUR REVENGE WILL HAVE TO WAIT!
WE MUST WARN THE CAPTAIN!
I HAVE BEEN TRAINING!
WELL, AT LEAST YOU KNOW HOW TO RUN!

RUN
JOIN THE OTHERS
BUT
BUT
KAREL!
TWANG!

GET OUT OF HERE NOW !!!
I'LL GET THEM!
JUST HANG ON!
FILTHY LITTLE RAT!
GET THE OTHER ONE!
FARE-WELL
MY ANGEL

KAREL!
KAREL!
WAAAH!
...!

Dívčí Válka

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HH..
YOU ACTUALLY THINK YOU CAN OUTRUN US?
DIRTY LITTLE RAT!
SWISH
NAH, THAT'LL TAKE TOO LONG LET'S JUST KILL HER!
SO, DO WE LET SIR HEINRICH TAKE CARE OF THIS?

UH-OH, LITTLE GIRL CAN'T SHOOT 'COS SHE GOT NO FIRE!
WHADDYA GONNA DO, HACK ME DOWN WITH THAT WHITTLING KNIFE?
HA HA HA!
MY WICK!
CLACK!
CLACK!
OOH... I'M SO SCARED!
BUT THERE'S ANOTHER WAY AROUND IT...
IT'S NOT PERFECT BY ANY MEANS, BUT
TRUE, THIS WEAPON IS USELESS WITHOUT A WICK...
BANG!
CLING!
LIGHT UP, WILL YOU?
CLACK!
PLEASE OH PLEASE!
CLACK!
CLACK!

AAH!

CLANG!
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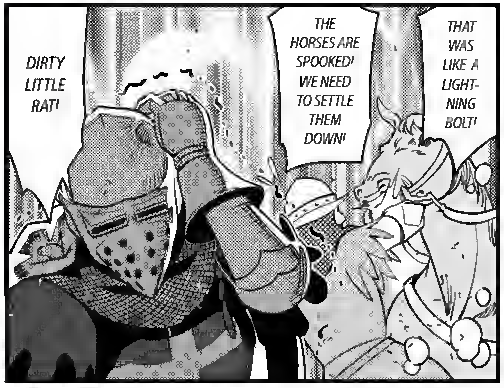
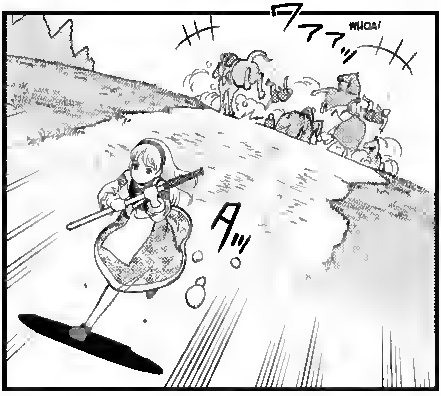
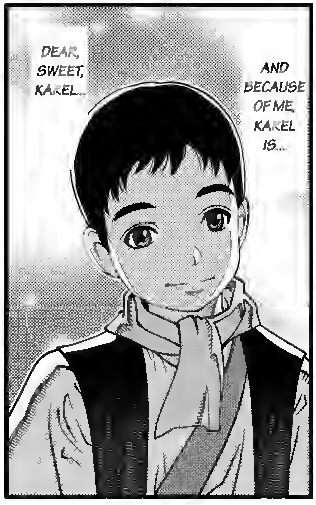
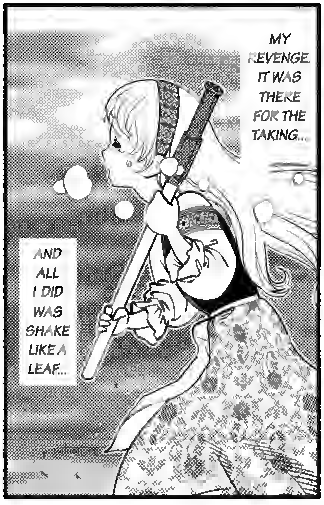
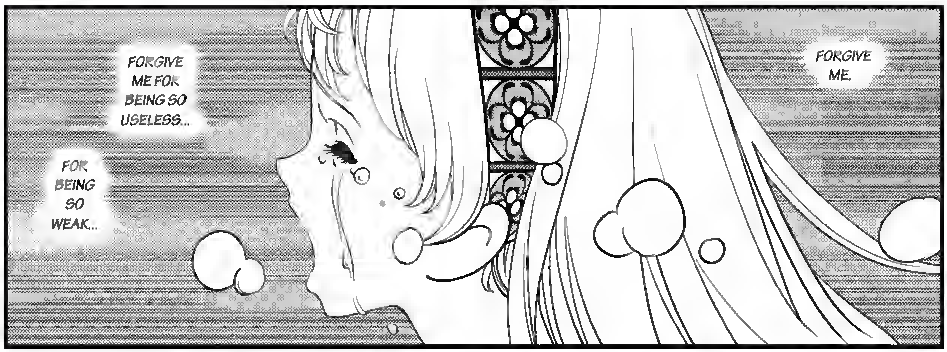
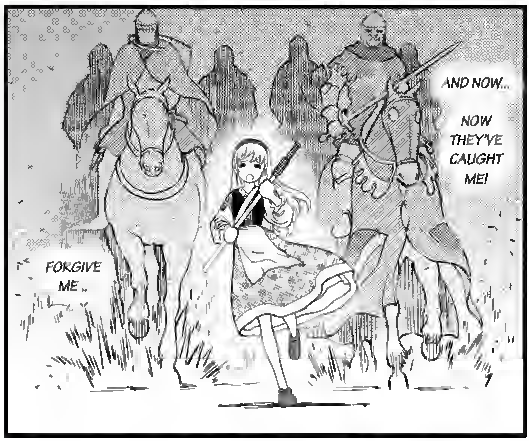

DIRTY LITTLE RAT!
THE HORSES ARE SPOOKED! WE NEED TO SETTLE THEM DOWN!
THAT WAS LIKE A LIGHT-NING BOLT!

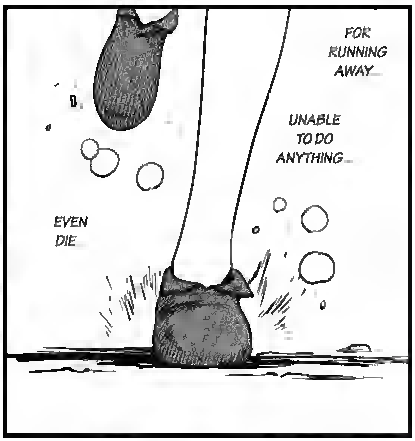

WUOA!

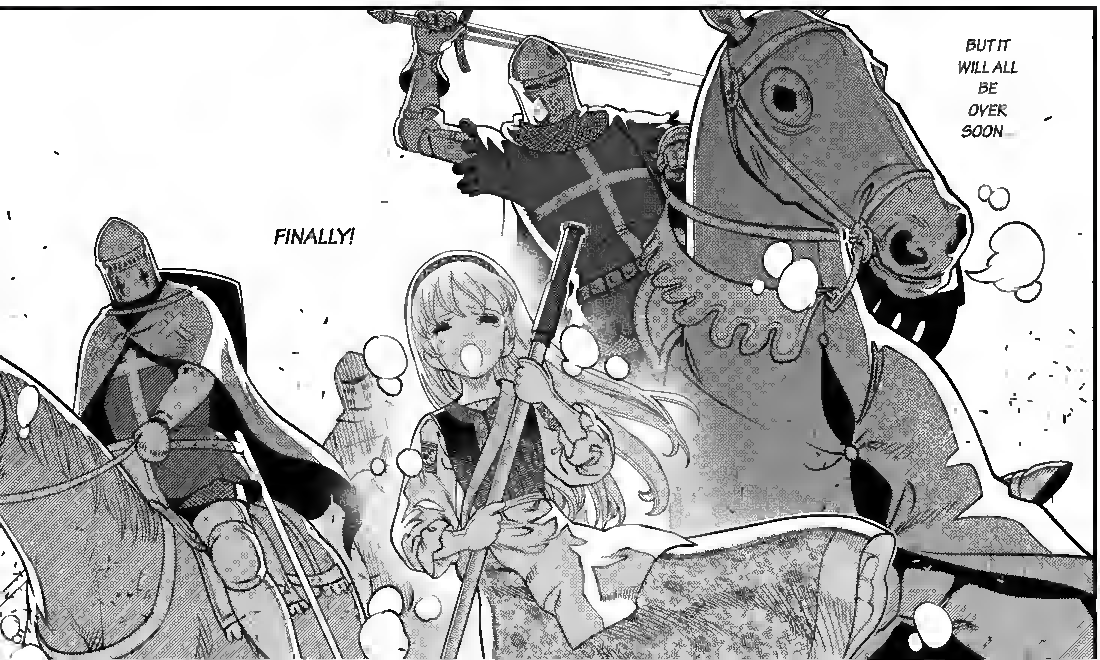

DEAR, SWEET, KAREL...
AND BECAUSE OF ME, KAREL IS...


MY REVENGE. IT WAS THERE FOR THE TAKING...
AND ALL I DID WAS SHAKE LIKE A LEAF...


FORGIVE ME FOR BEING SO USELESS...
FOR BEING SO WEAK...
FORGIVE ME.


AND NOW...
NOW THEY'VE CAUGHT ME!
FORGIVE ME...


FOR RUNNING AWAY...
UNABLE TO DO ANYTHING...
EVEN DIE...


BUT IT WILL ALL BE OVER SOON...
FINALLY!

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ŠÁRKA!
UP AHEAD!
HUH?

AN AMBUSH!
WHAT'S ALL THIS THEN...
AND SO, NOW THE BITER GETS BITTEN, GENTLEMEN!
HA HA HA!
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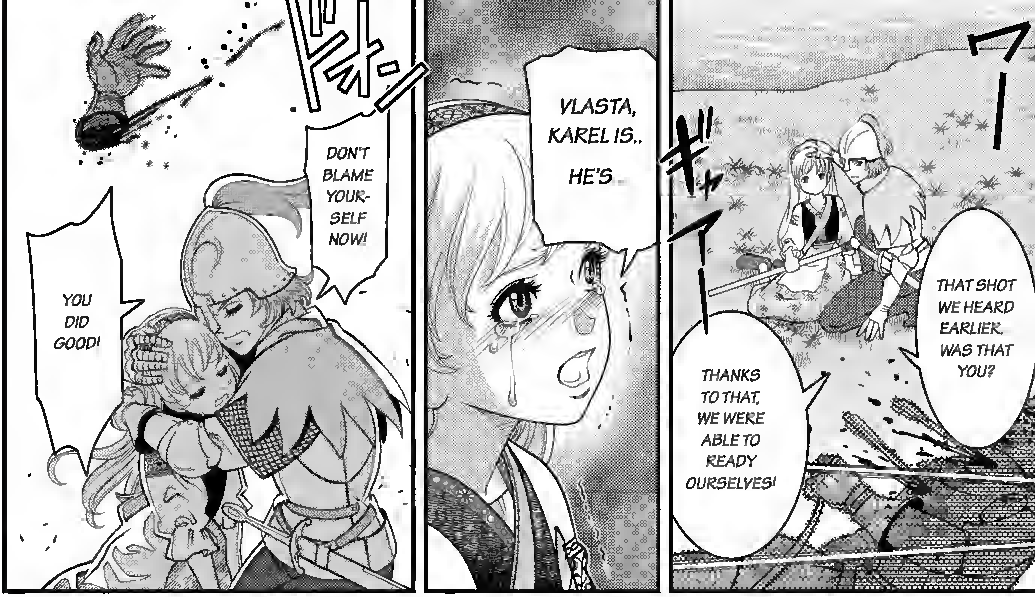
STAY DOWN!

FIRE!


DON'T BLAME YOURSELF NOW!
YOU DID GOOD!
VLASTA, KAREL IS.. HE'S
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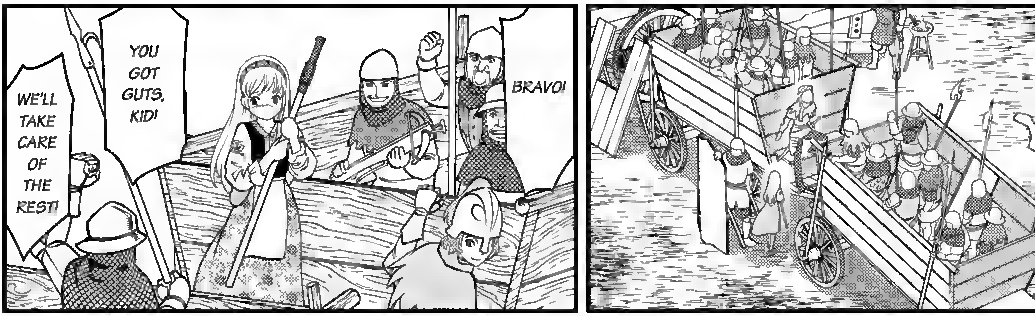
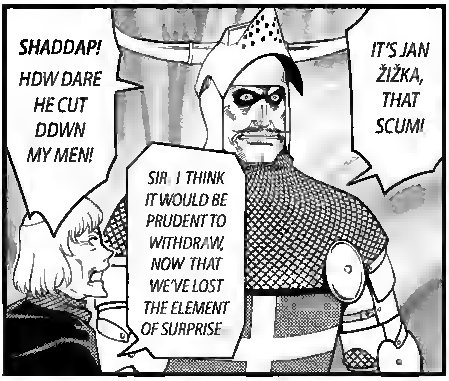
THAT SHOT WE HEARD EARLIER. WAS THAT YOU?
THANKS TO THAT, WE WERE ABLE TO READY OURSELVES!


YOU GOT GUTS, KID!
BRAVO!
WE'LL TAKE CARE OF THE REST!


SHADDAP! HOW DARE HE CUT DOWN MY MEN!
IT'S JAN ŽIŽKA, THAT SCUM!
SIR. I THINK IT WOULD BE PRUDENT TO WITHDRAW, NOW THAT WE'VE LOST THE ELEMENT OF SURPRISE

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HEAVEN HELP US...
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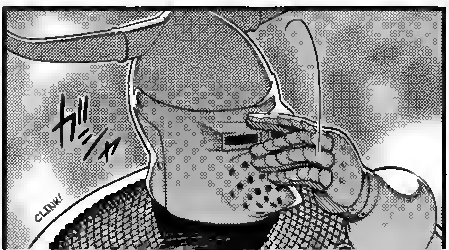
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CLINK!

DEATH TO THE HERETICS!
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DAMN WAGONS ARE TOUGH TO BRING DOWN!
THEY'RE PUTTING UP A FIGHT, THESE GUYS!
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FOLLOW MY LEAD!
RIGHT, SIR HEINRICH!
BUT HOW DO WE STOP THIS BRUTE FROM...
IF WE'RE STUCK IN A MELEE, THEY HAVE THE UPPER HAND!
SHE'S NOT YOUR OPPONENT, I AM!
WELL, THEN...
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO WANTED REVENGE.
I KNOW YOU.
YOU
ドン!!

CLANG!
DAT A WOMAN?
I'MA CUT YOUR BALLS OFF!
YOU'LL PAY FOR WHAT YOU'VE DONE!
VILE DEPRA-VITY!

DON'T MOVE!
YOU CAN DRAW ATTENTION AWAY FROM THE FIGHT!
THIS WILL HELP VLASTA OUT!
OKAYYY
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PETR, HOLD BACK THE GUNNERS!
ROHÁČ, SEND IN THE REAR-GUARD!
VLASTA IS AMAZING, ISN'T SHE?
I JUST CAN'T IMAGINE BEING ABLE TO DO ALL THAT!
...
WOULD YOU LIKE TO?

CLANG!
C'MON VLASTA!
SOMEONE IS GOING TOE-TO-TOE WITH SIR HEINRICH...
KILL HIM!
AND IT'S A WOMAN?
AND I'VE SEEN HER GO UP AGAINST STRONGER FOES AND PREVAIL, MANY TIMES
YES, VLASTA IS INDEED AN EXCEPTIONAL SWORDMAIDEN AND WARRIOR.

ANYONE WHO STARTS A FIGHT IN THEIR OWN SELF-INTEREST
CAN JUST AS EASILY ABANDON THAT FIGHT FOR THE SAME REASON
REALLY?
HOW DO YOU KNOW?
BUT THOSE WHO FIGHT FOR ME HAVE MORE THAN JUST PROWESS AND EXPLOITS
THEY'RE NOT IN IT FOR THEM-SELVES
BUT THOSE WHO WOULD PUT THEM-SELVES IN HARM'S WAY TO PROTECT OTHERS...
THOSE WHO WOULD FIGHT FOR OTHERS...
THOSE ARE THE WARRIORS I WANT!

HE'S NO PIECE OF CAKE, THIS GUY
HH...
HHH...

HH
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HE'S TOUGH!
YOU'RE GONNA REGRET EVER TAKING UP THE SWORD, LITTLE LAMB!

YAARGH!
I MUST HOLD OUT...
FOR AS LONG AS POSSIBLE!

AND YOU'LL REGRET EVER UNDER-ESTIMATING THE FAIRER KIND!
ISN'T VLASTA AFRAID AT ALL?
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FOR OTHERS...
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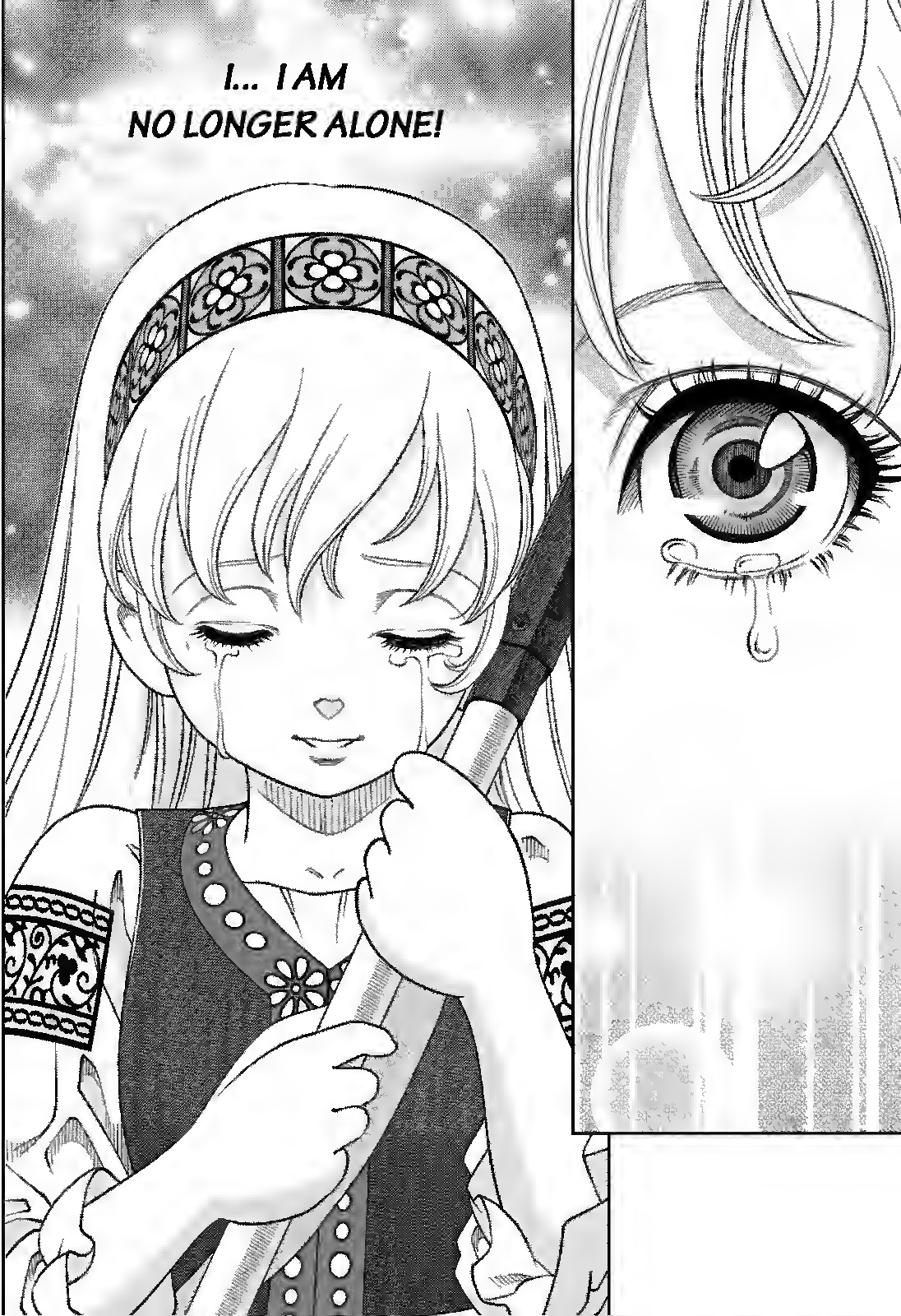
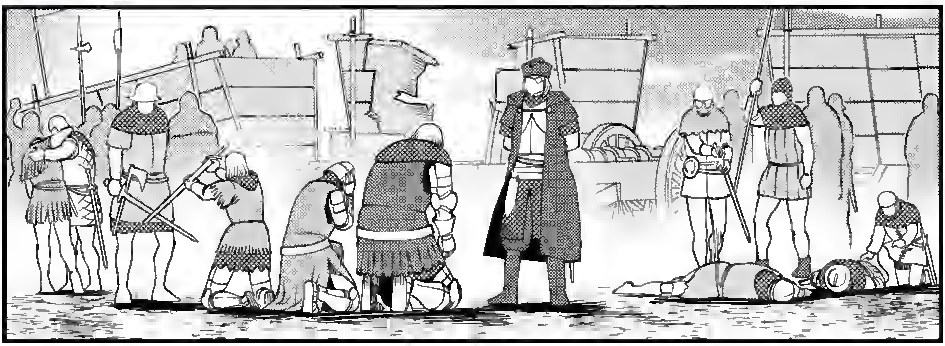
AGAINST ALL THIS, SHE OVERCOMES HER FEARS...
FOR ME...

ŠÁRKA, TAKE THIS "PÍŠŤALA"...
AND FIGHT BY MY SIDE!


I... I AM
NO LONGER ALONE!

HA HA! DIE NOW!
SMASH!
I MAY BE WEAK...
AND USELESS...
GO!
LEND ME YOUR COURAGE, KAREL!

LAY DOWN YOUR ARMS!



DID YOU HEAR?
WHAT SAY YOU, MEN?

NO DOUBT YOU STAND TO FETCH A PRETTY RANSOM, EH?
INTERFERING IN A DUEL IS THE ACT OF A COWARDLY SAVAGE
NEVERTHE-LESS, I ACCEDE TO YOUR REQUEST, JAN ŽIŽKA!

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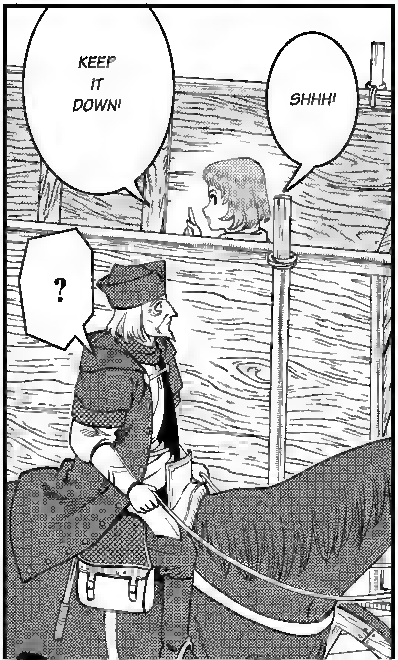
TIE HIM TO A WAGON AND DRAG HIM UNTIL HE IS DEAD!
YOU SCUM!

RANSOM? IS THIS A JOKE!?
IF WE FREE HIM, HE'LL ONLY PUT US TO THE FIRE AND THE SWORD AGAIN!
KILL HIM! KILL HIM!

YOU HONESTLY THOUGHT YOU COULD BUY YOUR FREEDOM?
SOON YOU WILL KNOW WHY THEY CALL ME "THE KILLER OF KNIGHTS"!
GULP!


KEEP IT DOWN!
SHHH!
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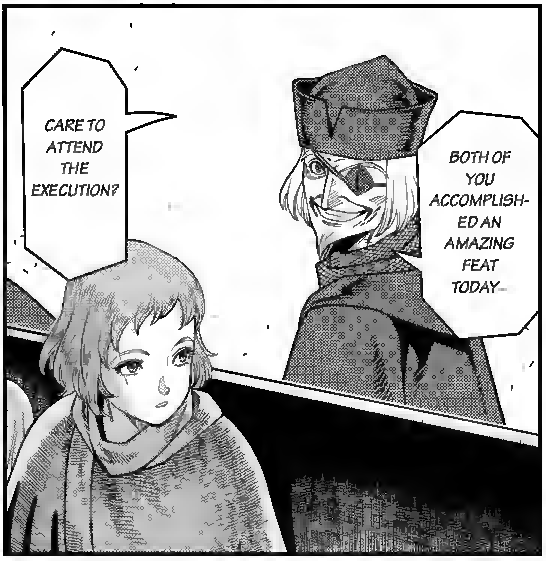
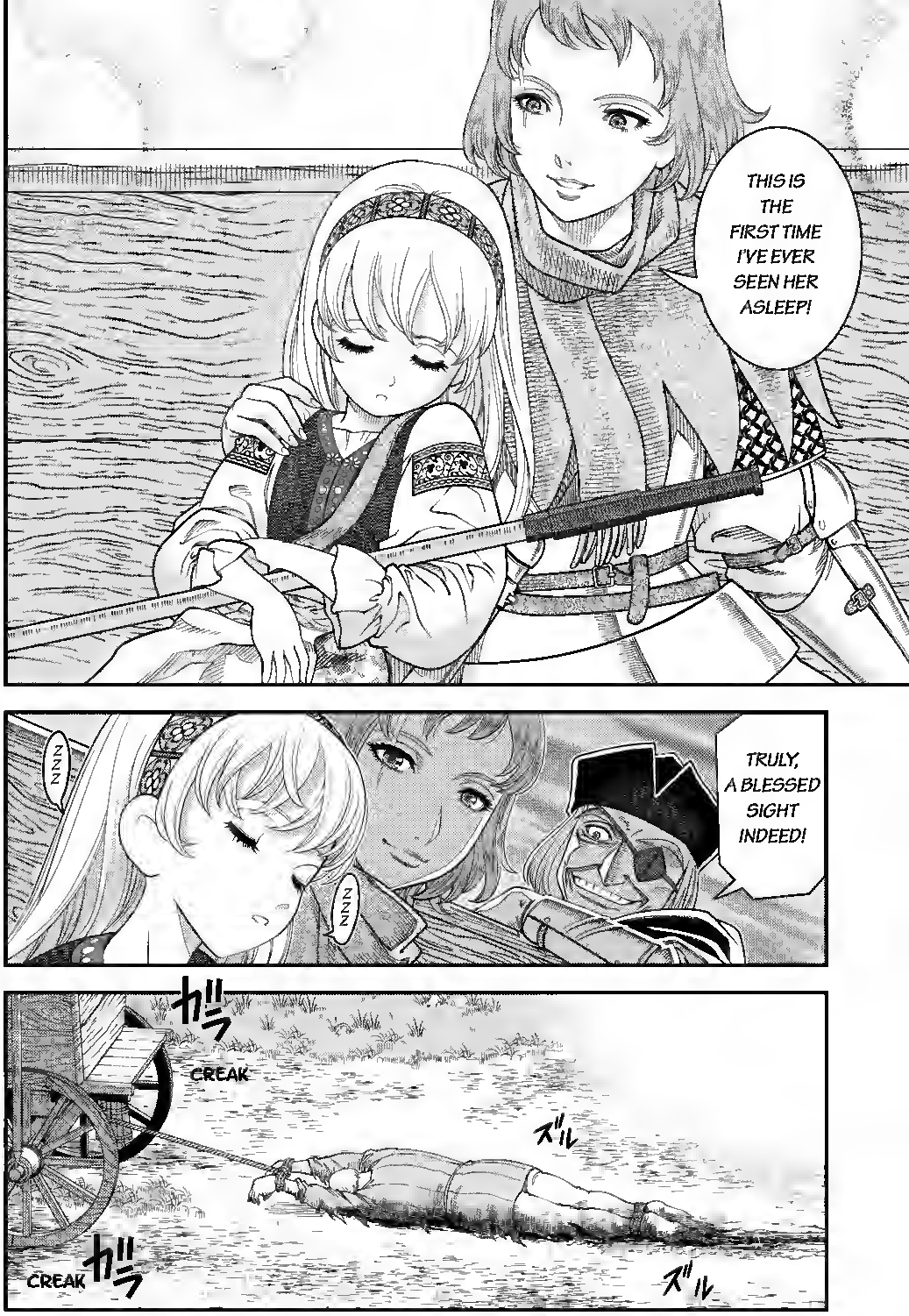

CARE TO ATTEND THE EXECUTION?
BOTH OF YOU ACCOMPLISHED AN AMAZING FEAT TODAY—


THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE EVER SEEN HER ASLEEP!
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TRULY, A BLESSED SIGHT INDEED!
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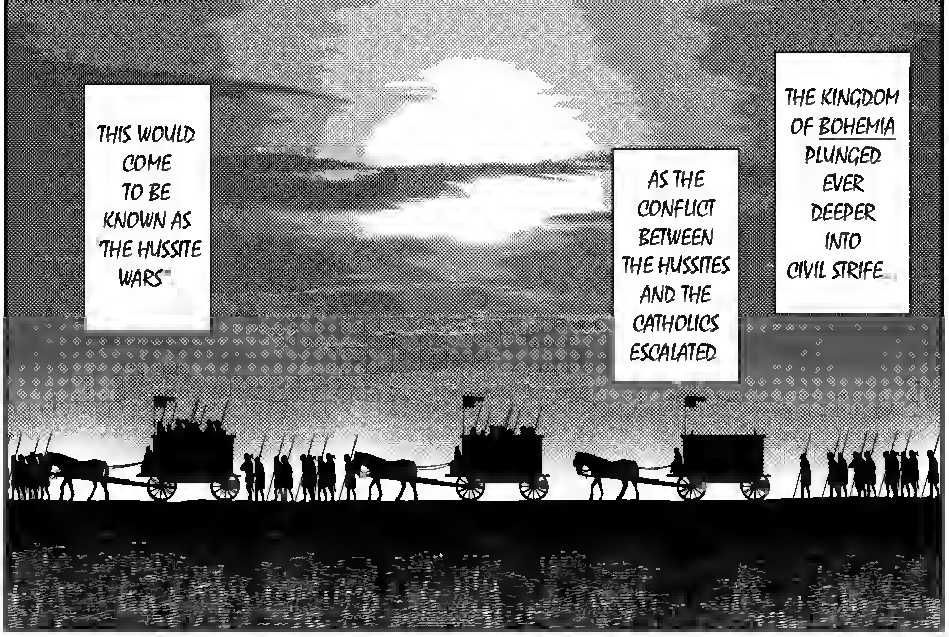
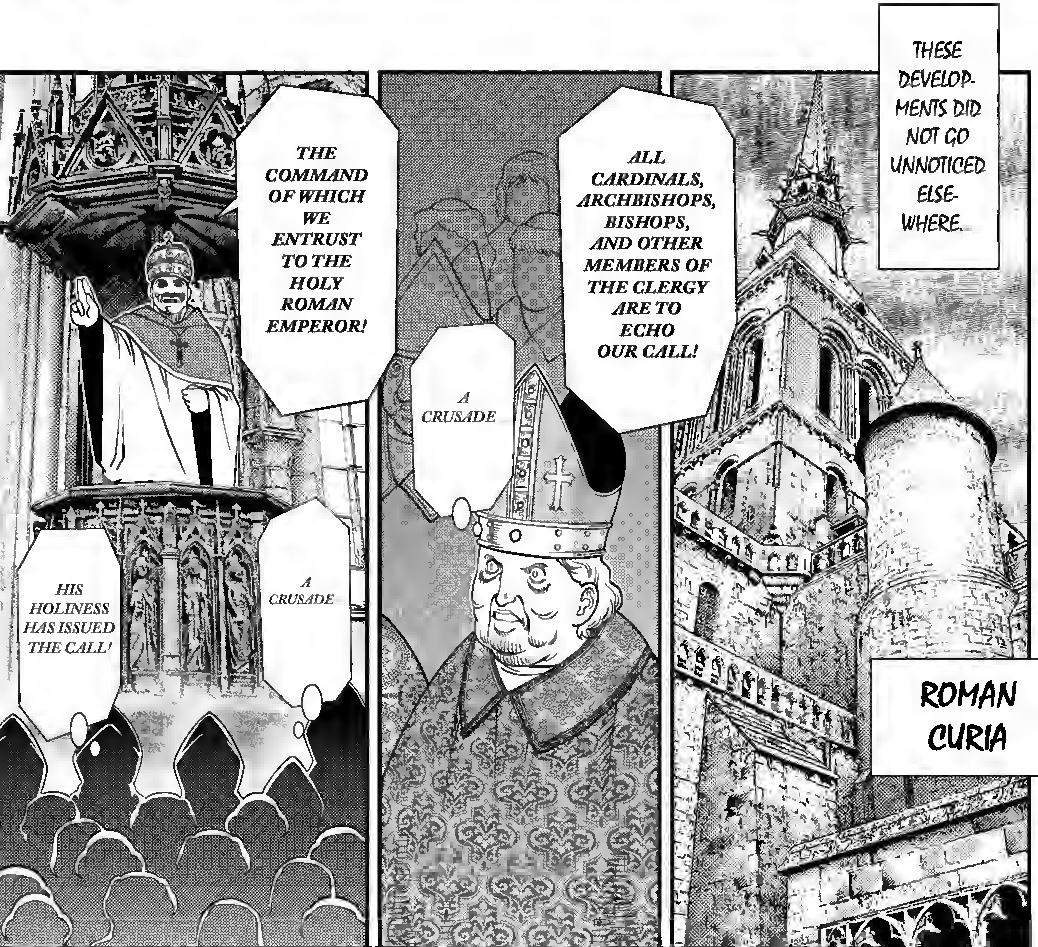

THIS WOULD COME TO BE KNOWN AS "THE HUSSITE WARS"
AS THE CONFLICT BETWEEN THE HUSSITES AND THE CATHOLICS ESCALATED
THE KINGDOM OF BOHEMIA PLUNGED EVER DEEPER INTO CIVIL STRIFE


THESE DEVELOPMENTS DID NOT GO UNNOTICED ELSEWHERE...
ROMAN CURIA
THE COMMAND OF WHICH WE ENTRUST TO THE HOLY ROMAN EMPEROR!
ALL CARDINALS, ARCHBISHOPS, BISHOPS, AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE CLERGY ARE TO ECHO OUR CALL!
A CRUSADE
HIS HOLINESS HAS ISSUED THE CALL!
A CRUSADE

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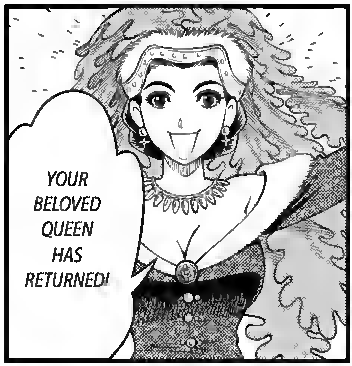
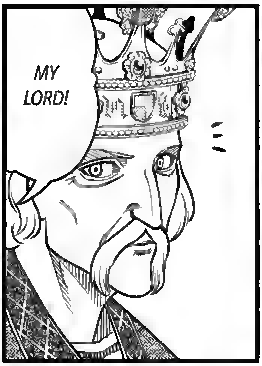
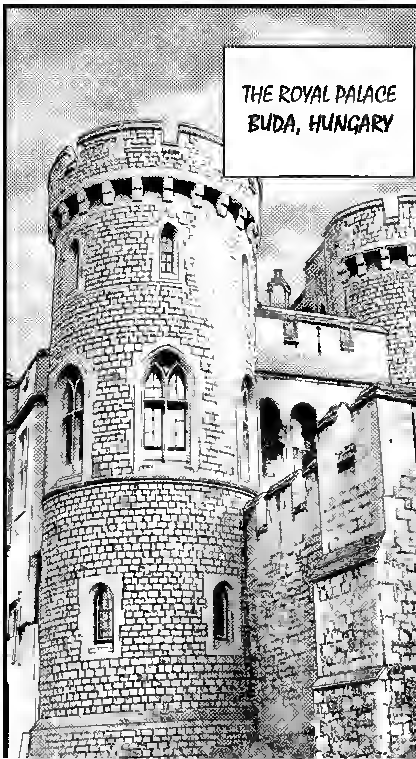
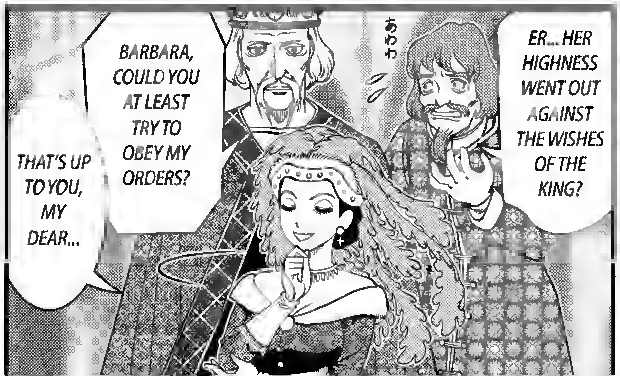
AND ALL WHO PARTAKE IN THE FIGHT AGAINST THE BOHEMIAN HERETICS WILL BE GRANTED AN INDULGENCE!
THIS CRUSADE...
PROVIDED THE PERFECT OPPORTUNITY FOR THE CHURCH TO EXPAND ITS INFLUENCE.
POPE MARTIN V
ROMAN PONTIFF


YOUR BELOVED QUEEN HAS RETURNED!


MY LORD!


THE ROYAL PALACE
BUDA, HUNGARY


BARBARA, COULD YOU AT LEAST TRY TO OBEY MY ORDERS?
THAT'S UP TO YOU, MY DEAR...
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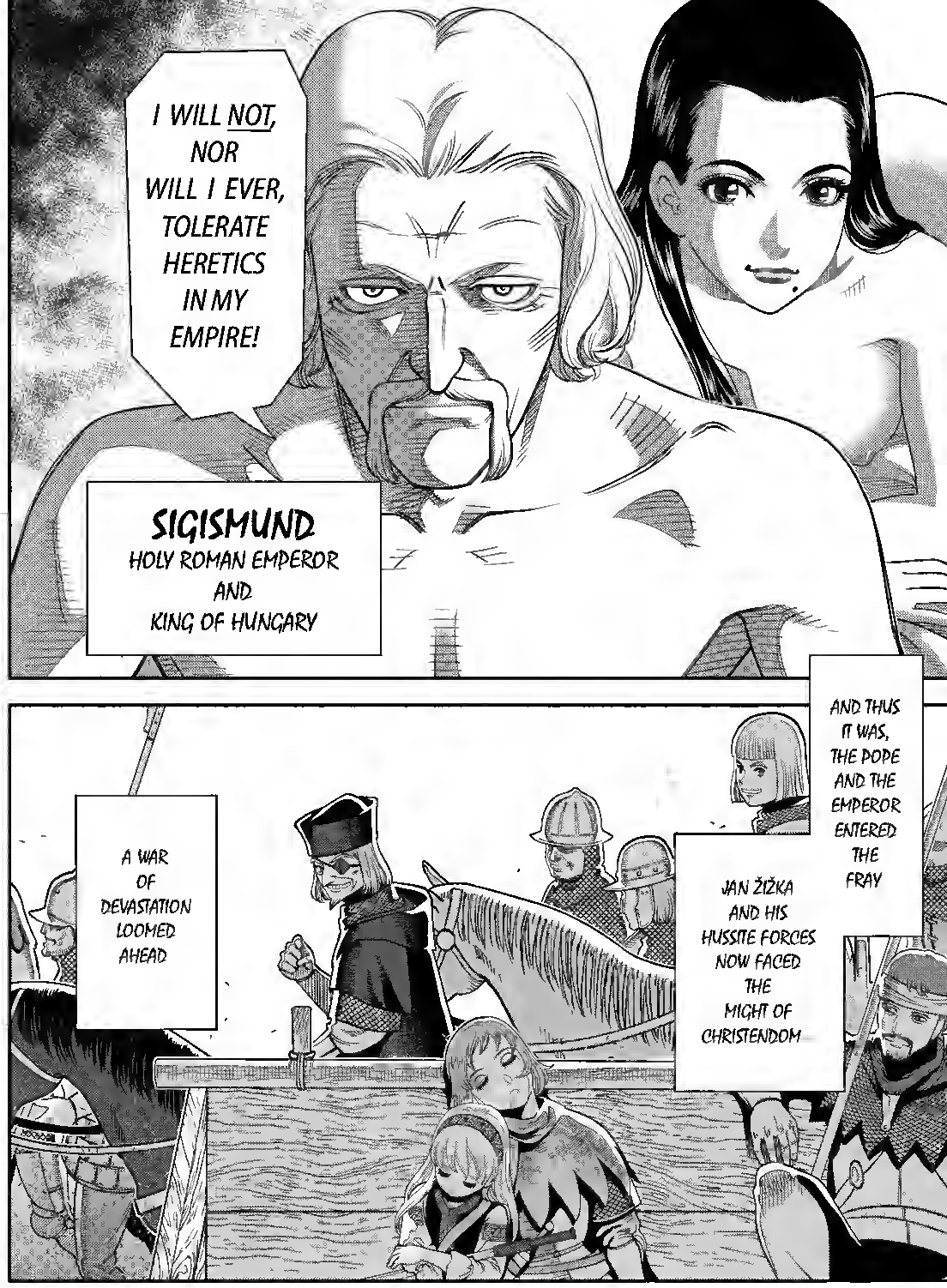
ER... HER HIGHNESS WENT OUT AGAINST THE WISHES OF THE KING?

...
IT IS IN YOUR INTEREST...
TO SATISFY THE QUEEN'S DEMANDS... IMMEDIATELY!
THE QUEEN IS INSIGHTFUL, AS ALWAYS!
AND IN RETURN...
I KNOW WHAT HIS MAJESTY WANTS...
HE WISHES ME TO MOBILIZE THE "ORDER OF THE DRAGON"!
HEH HEH, OBVIOUSLY!
AFTER ALL, THEY WILL NEVER ACCEPT YOU AS THEIR KING...
NOT AFTER WHAT YOU DID TO THEIR PRECIOUS JAN HUS. ♪
GIVEN THE CURRENT STATE OF MY AFFAIRS.
I SEE NO HARM IN RENDERING MY SERVICES TO HIS HOLINESS...
I WOULD HAVE TO DEAL WITH THE HUSSITE HERESY SOONER OR LATER!
NOW THAT I HAVE SUCCEEDED MY BROTHER ON THE BOHEMIAN THRONE...
HE'S CHOSEN THIS MOMENT TO LAUNCH HIS CRUSADE!
AND SO, GOOD, OLD MARTIN HAS DECIDED...


I WILL NOT, NOR WILL I EVER, TOLERATE HERETICS IN MY EMPIRE!
SIGISMUND
HOLY ROMAN EMPEROR AND KING OF HUNGARY
AND THUS IT WAS, THE POPE AND THE EMPEROR ENTERED THE FRAY
JAN ŽIŽKA AND HIS HUSSITE FORCES NOW FACED THE MIGHT OF CHRISTENDOM
A WAR OF DEVASTATION LOOMED AHEAD

Dívčí Válka

HYAAAH!
3 Mountain of Prayers
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IT'S UNGUARDED! ENJOY, BOYS!
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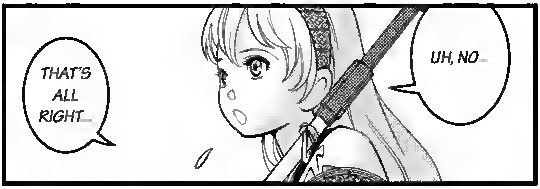
CAPTAIN THEY'RE ATTACKING OUR REAR TOO!
WHAT, ANOTHER AMBUSH?
EEK!
AND IF WE TAKE AWAY THEIR FOOD, THEY-
THEIR FOOD SHOULD BE IN HERE!

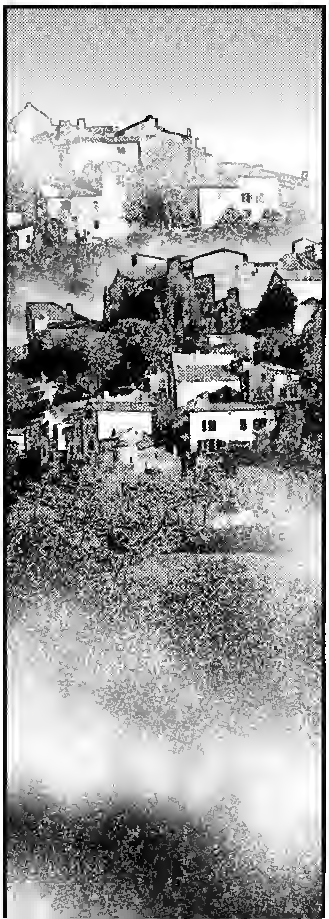
GREAT SHOT!
GAH!

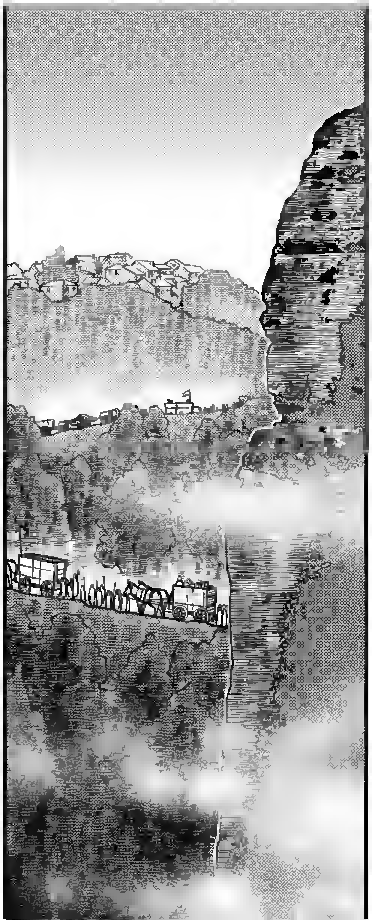
ALL, RIGHT, ŠÁRKA?
UH, YES...
STAY VIGILANT, MEN!
THERE'S STILL SOME WAYS TO GO BEFORE WE REACH "THE MOUNT"!
EVER SINCE OUR VICTORY AT SUDOMĚŘ...
THE PRICE OF FAME, HUH?
UGH, NOT A MOMENT'S PEACE!
NO CASUALTIES ON OUR SIDE? THAT'S GOOD...
WHAT IS THIS "MOUNT"?
IT'S A PLACE OF REFUGE FOR OUR HUSSITE BRETHREN...
WE CAN REST UP THERE ONCE WE'VE ARRIVED!
OOH, YOU'VE ADDED A STRAP, I SEE...
THIS?
YEAH, MAKES IT EASIER TO LUG THIS THING AROUND
UH...
VLASTA?

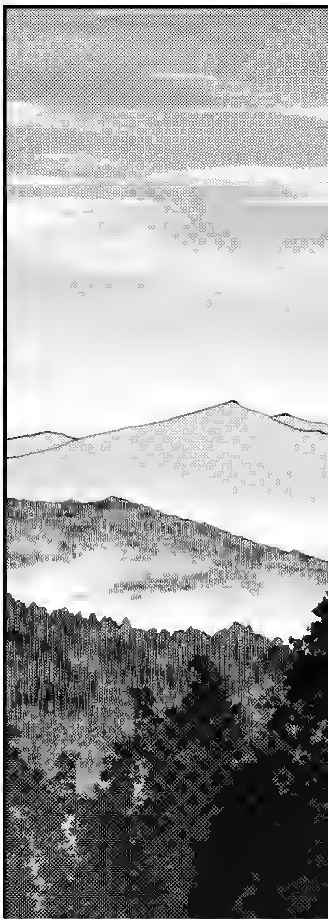
I CAN WALK!

WHAT IS IT?
YOU WANHA HITCH A RIDE?


UH, NO...
THAT'S ALL RIGHT...

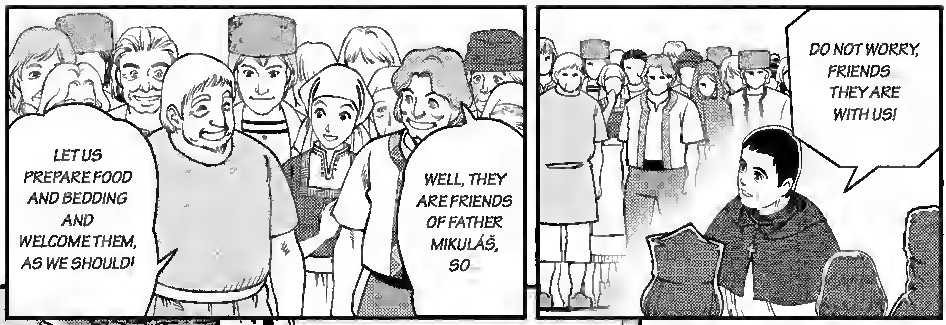






JAN!
MIKULÁŠ!
SWISH!
PAF!
YOU DOING OK HUH?
SO GOOD TO SEE YOU AGAIN!

FATHER MIKULÁŠ!
IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME!
VLASTA, ROHÁČ, ČAPEK...
AND MASTER HROMÁDKA TOO!
YOU HAVEN'T CHANGED A BIT, EITHER!
STILL GOT THE MOVES, EH, PREACHER?
HUH?
HUH? HUH?

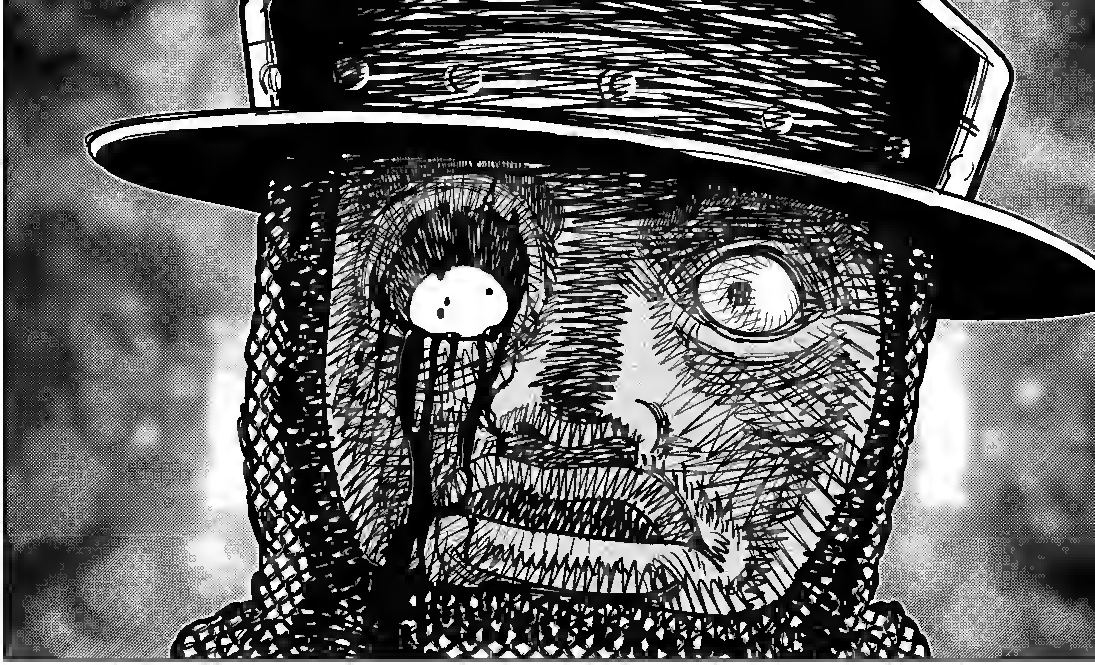

LET US PREPARE FOOD AND BEDDING AND WELCOME THEM, AS WE SHOULD!
WELL, THEY ARE FRIENDS OF FATHER MIKULÁŠ, SO...
DO NOT WORRY, FRIENDS THEY ARE WITH US!

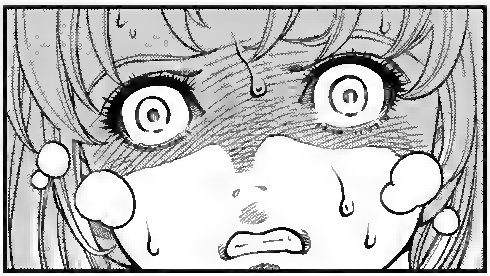
NOW, ALL THIS TOWN NEEDS IS A NAME!
I CERTAINLY DIDN'T EXPECT TO GATHER AS MANY FOLLOWERS AS I DID...
IT'S ONLY BEEN SIX MONTHS SINCE YOU RAN OFF INTO THE HILLS...
THIS VILLAGE HAS REALLY GROWN!
I CAN HARDLY BELIEVE IT!

BUT WHY WOULD ANYONE ATTACK AN IMPOVERISHED VILLAGE? THERE'S NOTHING TO STEAL HERE!
OH YES, THERE IS!
AND WATCHTOWERS AND FORTIFIED GATES...
ON THIS TERRAIN, THIS PLACE WILL BE IMPREGNABLE!
AND A NICE, LARGE WALL, ALL THE WAY AROUND!
THE LIVES OF YOUR FLOCK!
STARTING WITH...
WEAPON ON STANDBY!
ŠÁRKA!
UH, YES?
...!

IS THIS A DEMONSTRATION?
WHAT'S GOING ON?
PLACE THE HELMET THERE!
JAN, THESE PEOPLE...
YES, YES, I KNOW...
PEASANTS WHO DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT COMBAT!
CLANK!
CLANK!
YOUR ATTENTION, IF YOU PLEASE!
BEHOLD THE LATEST WEAPON THE FIST'ALA!

MAN OR WOMAN, BIG OR SMALL, IF YOU WIELD THIS YOU WILL HAVE NOTHING TO FEAR!
...
TO BRING THE ENEMY DOWN!
CLANK!
ARMOUR OR NOT, A WELL-PLACED SHOT IS ALL IT TAKES...
THIS "TOY" IS SO SIMPLE TO USE, THAT EVEN A CHILD CAN WIELD IT!
WHY, THAT GIRL'S NO BIGGER THAN MY DAUGHTER!
IS THE SOLDIER SUPPOSED TO BE SMALL TOO?

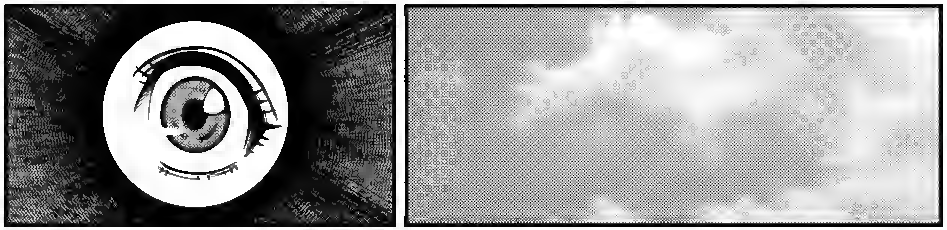


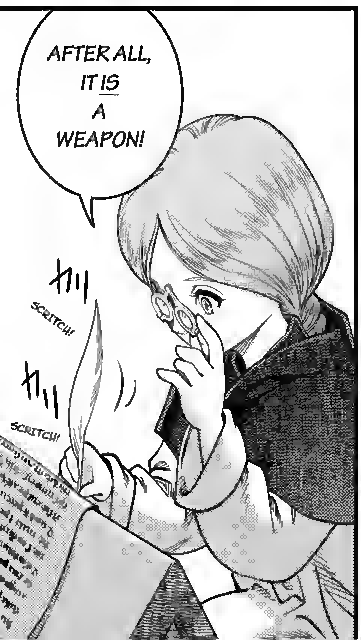


WELL, WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR?
GO AHEAD AND SHOOT!

UHH...
I...

...
SPLAT!




AFTER ALL, IT IS A WEAPON!
SCRITCH!
SCRITCH!

AND PLAY ITS DEADLY TUNES?
TOOT!
PLEASE DON'T TOUCH IT, YOU'LL GET YOURSELF HURT!

SO, HOW DO WE USE THIS FLUTE..

SORRY, SORRY... I DIDN'T MEAN TO!
YOU BONKED ME IN THE HEAD, IDIOT!
OOPS!
OWWW!
MAYBE IT'S JUST A CLUB?
HEY, YOU'RE AWAKE! FEELING OKAY? YOU HUNGRY?
OH!
AND I'M GABRIELA...
FATHER MIKULÁŠ TOLD US TO LOOK AFTER YOU!
MY NAME IS TANIA!

IT SEEMS THEY WENT OFF TO TRY AND FIND MORE HUSSITES!
YOU MEAN THE SOLDIERS?
I'M... ŠÁRKA.
OH... THANK YOU
WHERE ARE THE OTHERS?
キョロ SWISH!
キョロ SWISH!
AFTER THAT, WE CAN TAKE A WALK AROUND TOWN!
SAY, WANHA HAVE A BITE TO EAT?
ARE THEY COMING BACK?
I DON'T KNOW...

YES, AND HE TRANSLATED IT INTO CZECH SO THAT EVERYONE COULD UNDERSTAND!
THE BIBLE, YOU MEAN?
ALL HE SAID WAS TO READ AND FOLLOW THE HOLY SCRIPTURES!
NO, THE TEACHINGS OF JAN HUS ARE NOT COMPLICATED AT ALL!
GABRIELA KNOWS HOW TO READ AND WRITE!
WOW, THAT'S GREAT!
AND HERE IT IS...
I COPIED IT ALL MYSELF!
EVERYONE HERE RESPONDED TO THE CALL OF FATHER MIKULÁŠ...
AND WE NOW LIVE BY THE HOLY PRECEPTS!
AND YOU AS WELL!
GOD BLESS YOU GIRLS!
HELLO!
AND IT'S LIGHTER, TOO! ♪
I THINK THE BOYISH CUT LOOKS GREAT ON YOU! ♪
I KEEP TELLING HER TO WEAR A HAT!
EXCEPT I NEARLY WENT WITH IT...
MY HAIR CAUGHT ON FIRE, SEE! ♪
WE LEFT OUR FARM AND BURNED EVERYTHING!
MY WHOLE FAMILY CAME!

IT'S ALMOST LIKE PARADISE!
THAT SOUNDS AMAZING!
ŠÁRKA...
YOU'RE WELCOME TO LIVE AMONG US IF YOU WANT!
WE SIMPLY DEVOTE OURSELVES TO PRAYER, HELPING EACH OTHER AND WORKING WITH ALL OUR HEARTS!
HERE THERE'S NO HIERARCHY, NO TAXES, NO CONFLICTS AND NO DISCRIMINATION!
THE FINAL JUDGMENT?
PLUS, WE HAVE NOTHING TO FEAR WHEN THE FINAL JUDGMENT COMES!
LET'S GET MARRIED AND FIND SOMEWHERE WHERE WE CAN LIVE IN PEACE!
I CAN FIND WORK ANYWHERE, 'COS EVERYONE NEEDS A BLACKSMITH!
IF ONLY KAREL COULD BE HERE...

OH, GOOD!
WE BROUGHT OUR NEW FRIEND TO SEE YOU!

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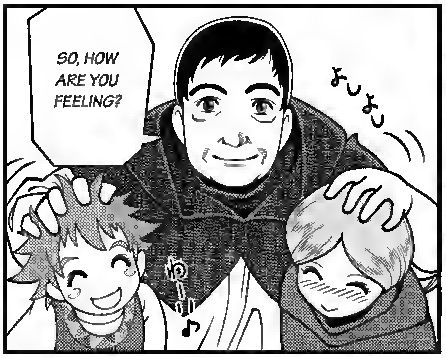
FATHER MIKULÁŠ!


SO, HOW ARE YOU FEELING?
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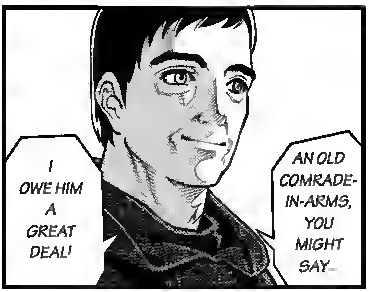
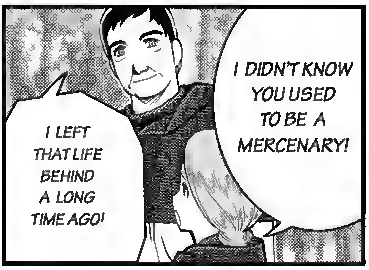
HE WAS YOUR LEADER?


I OWE HIM A GREAT DEAL!
AN OLD COMRADE-IN-ARMS, YOU MIGHT SAY...


I LEFT THAT LIFE BEHIND A LONG TIME AGO!
I DIDN'T KNOW YOU USED TO BE A MERCENARY!

UH, YOU'RE A FRIEND OF CAPTAIN ŽIŽKA, THEN?

MY VILLAGE WAS ATTACKED AND MY WHOLE FAMILY WAS KILLED
I HAD NO ONE TO TURN TO...
BUT CAPTAIN ŽIŽKA TOOK ME IN...
AND TAUGHT ME HOW TO FIGHT...
I OWE HIM A LOT, TOO...
BUT LATELY...
A VISION KEEPS HAUNTING ME...
EVEN NOW, HE IS...
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HE IS ASKING ME WHY.
WHY...
HOW YOU HAVE SUFFERED SO!
MY POOR CHILD!
I WENT THROUGH THE SAME THING!
JAN TOOK ME IN, AND I BECAME A MERCE-HARY
THE FIRST TIME I KILLED A MAN, I COULDN'T SLEEP AT ALL!
BUT I CARRIED ON KILLING, OVER AND OVER, IN ORDER TO SURVIVE.
BUT THE BURDEN BECAME UNBEAR-ABLE...
AND THAT'S WHEN I MET JAN HUS!

SO, MY SON
DO YOU REGRET YOUR SINS?
YES, FATHER
BUT THERE'S BEEN SO MANY... SO MANY...
TEE-HEE!
DID YOU HEAR, O LORD?
THIS MAN SAYS HE REPENTS!
WILL YOU FORGIVE HIM?
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...
NOW LISTEN!

AND THAT'S HOW I CAME TO BE HIS DISCIPLE..
IT LOOKS TO ME LIKE YOU HEARD HIS ANSWER!
HHH..
HHH..

FOR GOD'S FORGIVENESS!
THEN I SHALL PRAY WITH YOU...
MOM
DO YOU REGRET YOUR SINS?
AND YOU?
WE'LL ALL PRAY TOGETHER!
US TOO!
PLEASE. FORGIVE ME..
I BEG YOU, LORD..
DEAR LORD, FORGIVE US OUR TRESPASSES..
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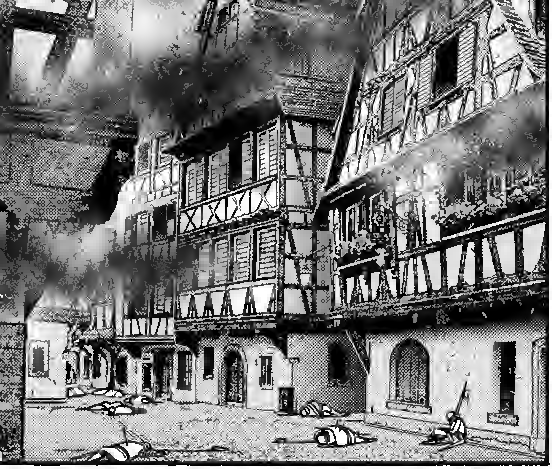

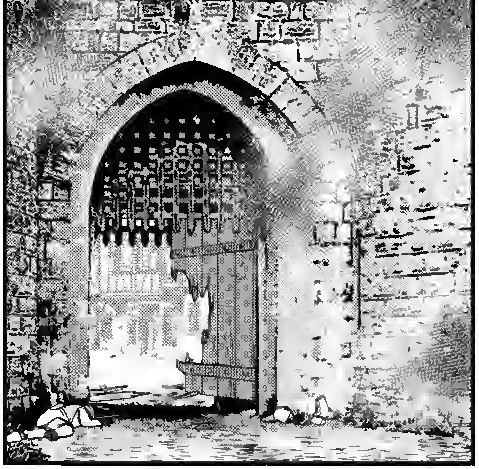

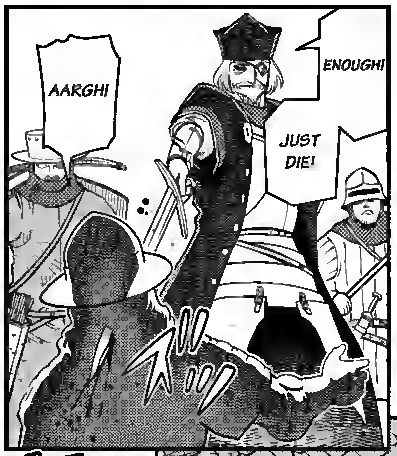
AARGHI
ENOUGH!
JUST DIE!

IT'S NOT BECAUSE THEY WERE HERETICS THAT THEY...
I TOLD THEM TO STOP!
NO, I DIDN'T DO ANY-THING!

AND I'LL JOIN THE HUSSITES!
OKAY, OKAY... I'LL TAKE YOU THERE!

SO... THIS IS THE TOWER!
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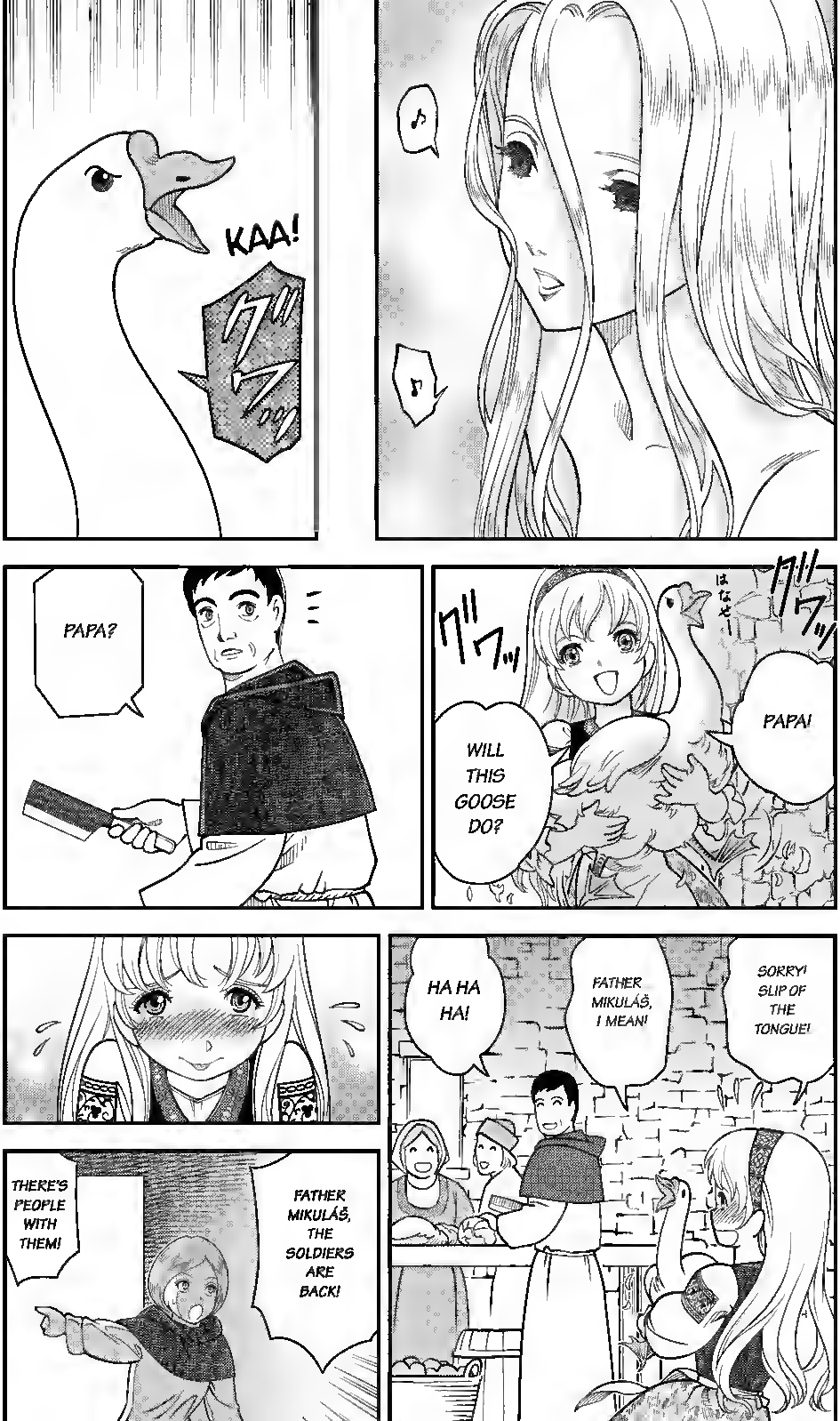
MARIA!
JOHANA!
EEK!
VERMIN SCUM!
MAMA!
WAAAH!
MY BABY!
LAURA, IT'S ALL OVER!
LAURA?
THANK YOU AGAIN FOR HELPING US OUT, CAPTAIN!
DON'T MENTION IT...
BUT IF YOU REALLY WANT TO PROTECT YOURSELVES FROM ENEMY REPRISALS...


KAA!
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PAPA?
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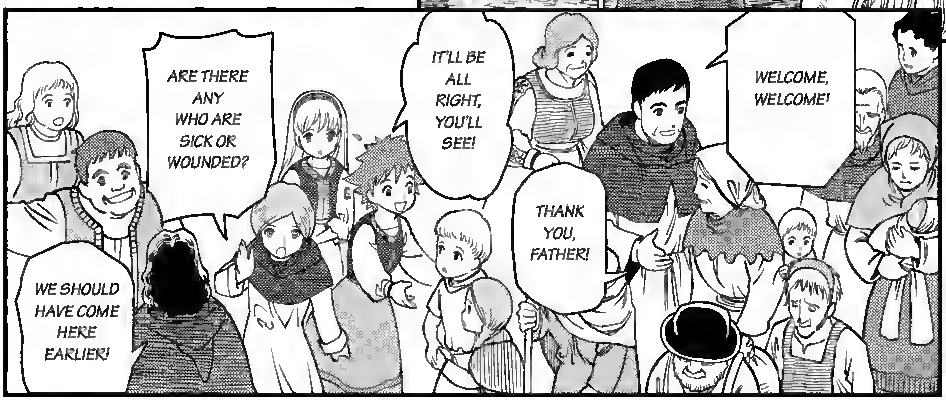
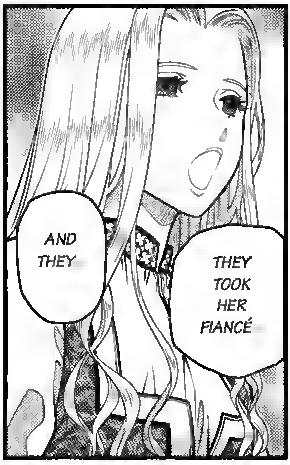
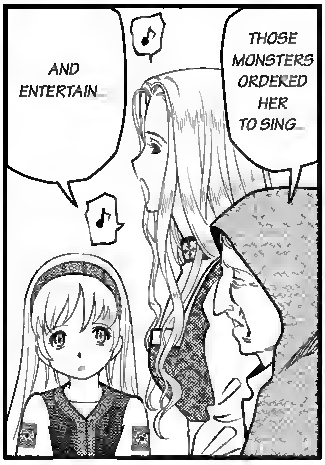
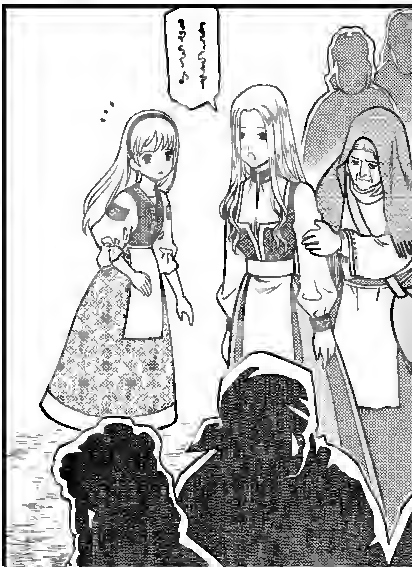
PAPA!
WILL THIS GOOSE DO?
SORRY! SLIP OF THE TONGUE!
FATHER MIKULÁŠ, I MEAN!
HA HA HA!
FATHER MIKULÁŠ, THE SOLDIERS ARE BACK!
THERE'S PEOPLE WITH THEM!

WHO ARE THEY?
CATHOLICS SEIZED THEIR TOWN AND STARTED ROUGHING THEM UP!
CAN YOU ACCOM-MODATE THEM?
OF COURSE!


ARE THERE ANY WHO ARE SICK OR WOUNDED?
IT'LL BE ALL RIGHT, YOU'LL SEE!
WELCOME, WELCOME!
THANK YOU, FATHER!
WE SHOULD HAVE COME HERE EARLIER!


AND THEY
THEY TOOK HER FIANCÉ


AND ENTERTAIN...
THOSE MONSTERS ORDERED HER TO SING...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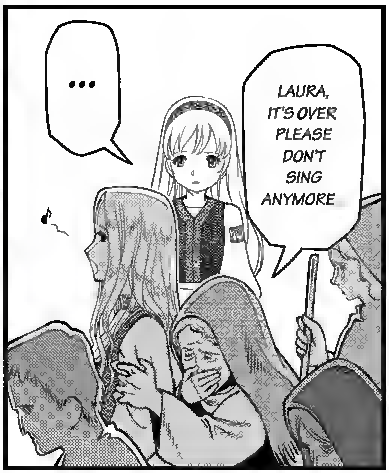
DID SHE GO THROUGH THE SAME THING I DID?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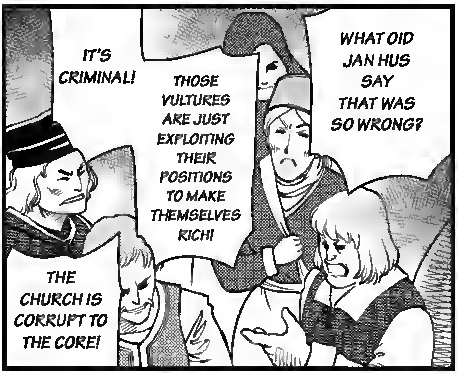
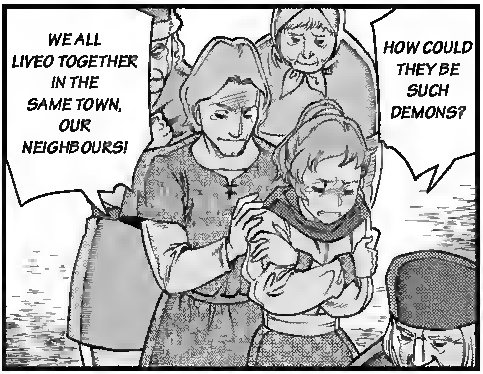
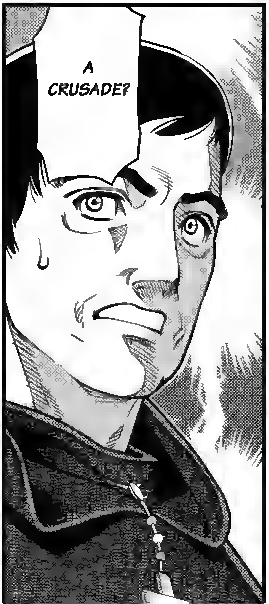
LAURA, IT'S OVER PLEASE DON'T SING ANYMORE


IT'S CRIMINAL!
THOSE VULTURES ARE JUST EXPLOITING THEIR POSITIONS TO MAKE THEMSELVES RICH!
WHAT OID JAN HUS SAY THAT WAS SO WRONG?
THE CHURCH IS CORRUPT TO THE CORE!


WE ALL LIVEO TOGETHER IN THE SAME TOWN, OUR NEIGHBOURS!
HOW COULD THEY BE SUCH DEMONS?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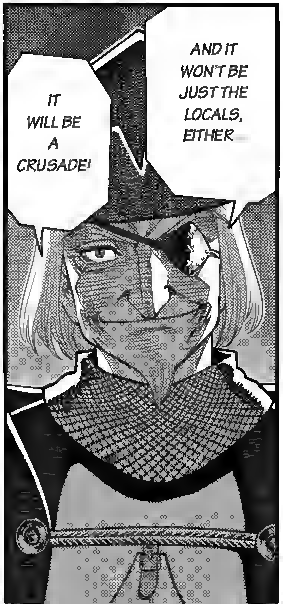
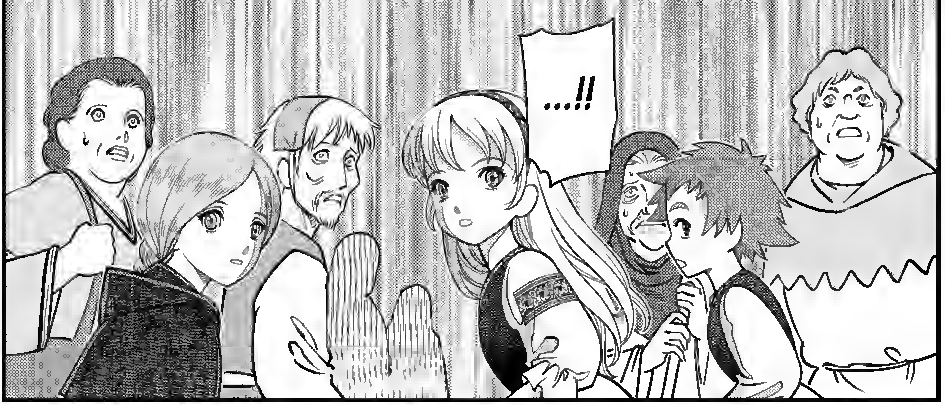

IT WILL BE A CRUSADE!
AND IT WON'T BE JUST THE LOCALS, EITHER

SOONER OR LATER, THEY WILL COME HERE!
I'M LOOKING AT YOU, MIKULÁŠ

AN ARMY OF UNIMAGINABLE SCALE WILL SWEEP ACROSS THIS LAND...
WITH THE INTENT TO WIPE US ALL OUT!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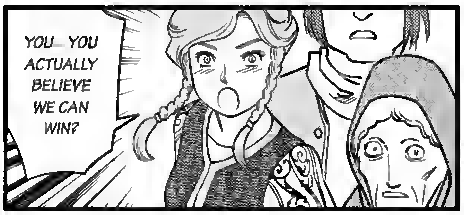
BUT...
EVEN IF WE DO FIGHT, OUR CHANCES OF VICTORY...

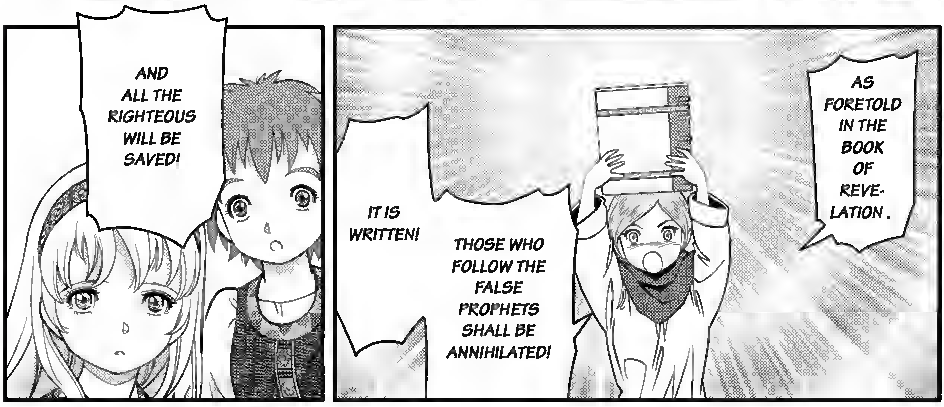
WE MUST DEFEND BOTH OURSELVES AND OUR FAITH!
WOULD YOU RATHER LET YOURSELF BE KILLED?
BUT ISN'T BEARING ARMS CONTRARY TO OUR BELIEFS?

WE MUST PROTECT "THE MOUNT" AT ALL COSTS!
BUT THAT MEANS...

OURS WILL BE THE MOST POWERFUL ARMY IN THE WORLD!
IF ALL OF YOU ARE DETERMINED TO WIN...

I WILL LEAD YOU TO VICTORY!


YOU... YOU ACTUALLY BELIEVE WE CAN WIN?

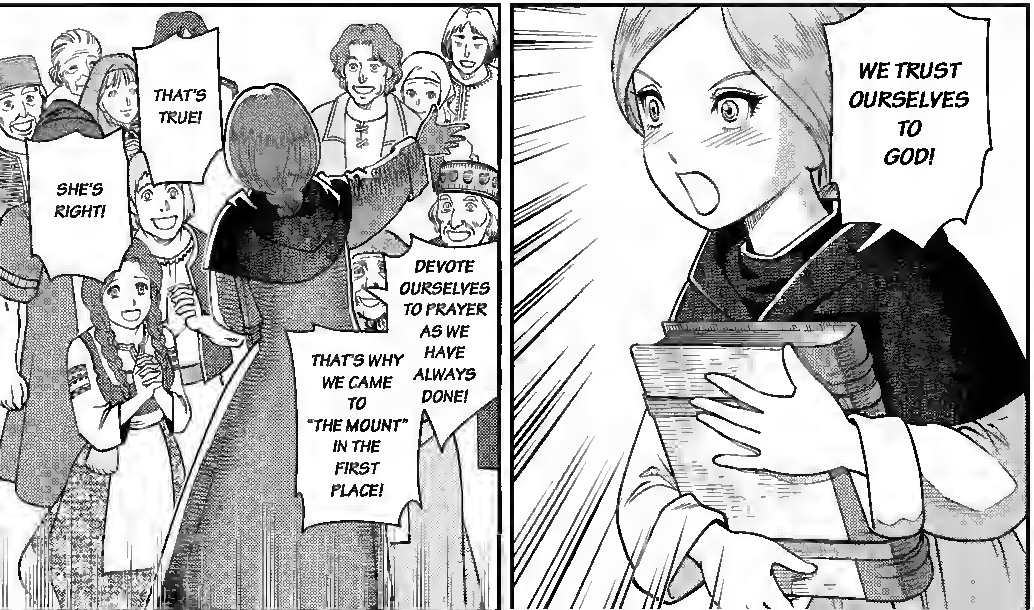

AND ALL THE RIGHTEOUS WILL BE SAVED!
IT IS WRITTEN!
THOSE WHO FOLLOW THE FALSE PROPHETS SHALL BE ANNIHILATED!
AS FORETOLD IN THE BOOK OF REVE-LATION .

THREE DAYS!?
IN THREE DAYS' TIME!
HOW SOON?
I HEARD THAT TOO!
DIDN'T THAT PROPHET SAY THE END OF TIME WILL COME SOON?
I HEARD ABOUT THIS!

IN THREE DAYS' TIME, THE WORLD WILL COME TO AN END.

ISN'T THIS TRUE, FATHER MIKULÁŠ?
THE PROPHECY, THAT IS?
IS IT REALLY?
NO ONE KNOWS WHEN THE DAY OF JUDGMENT WILL COME...
IT COULD BE TOMORROW, OR IT COULD BE IN A HUNDRED YEARS...
SO IT REALLY IS THE END OF DAYS!
WHAT DO WE DO?
ALTHOUGH A CRUSADING ARMY MAY SEEM LIKE THE BEAST AND THE DRAGON...
THAT WILL BRING FORTH THE APOCA-LYPSE!

Albrecht Dürer "The Revelation of St John"


THAT'S TRUE!
SHE'S RIGHT!
DEVOTE OURSELVES TO PRAYER AS WE HAVE ALWAYS DONE!
THAT'S WHY WE CAME TO "THE MOUNT" IN THE FIRST PLACE!
WE TRUST OURSELVES TO GOD!

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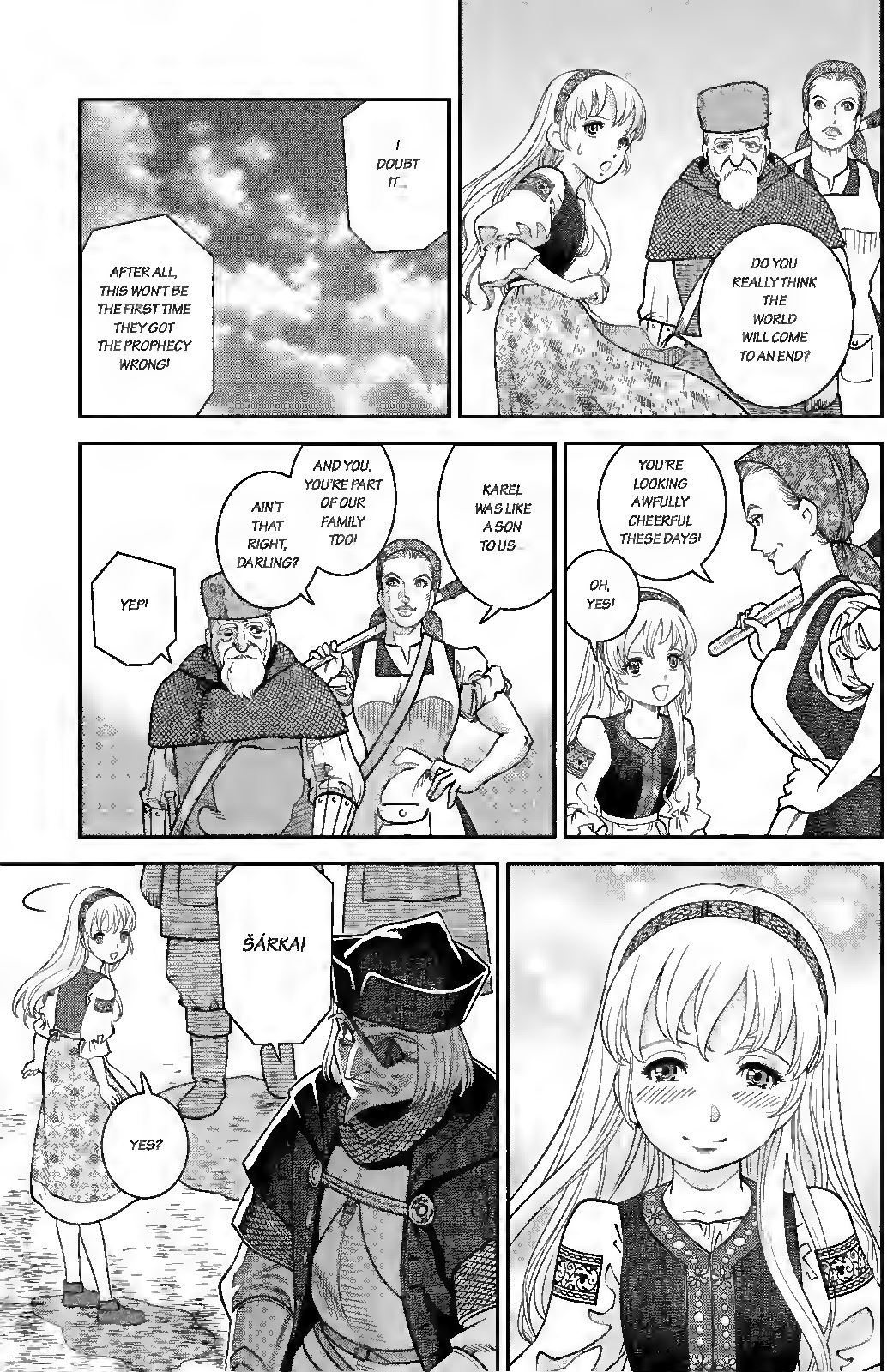
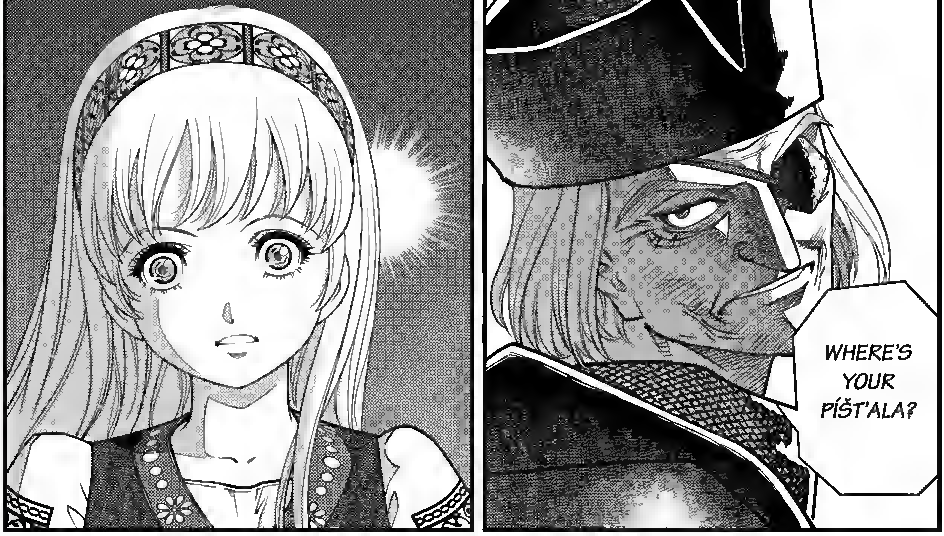
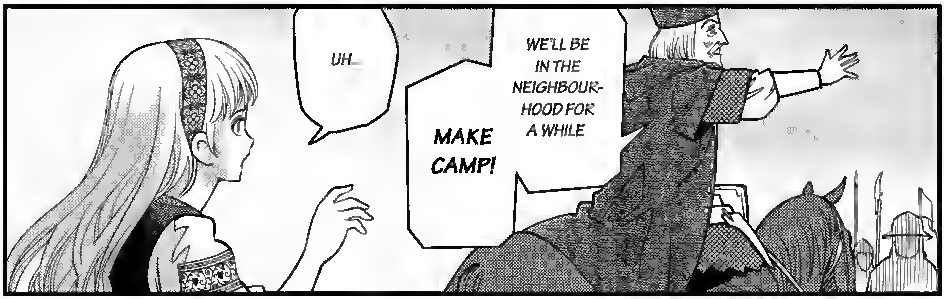
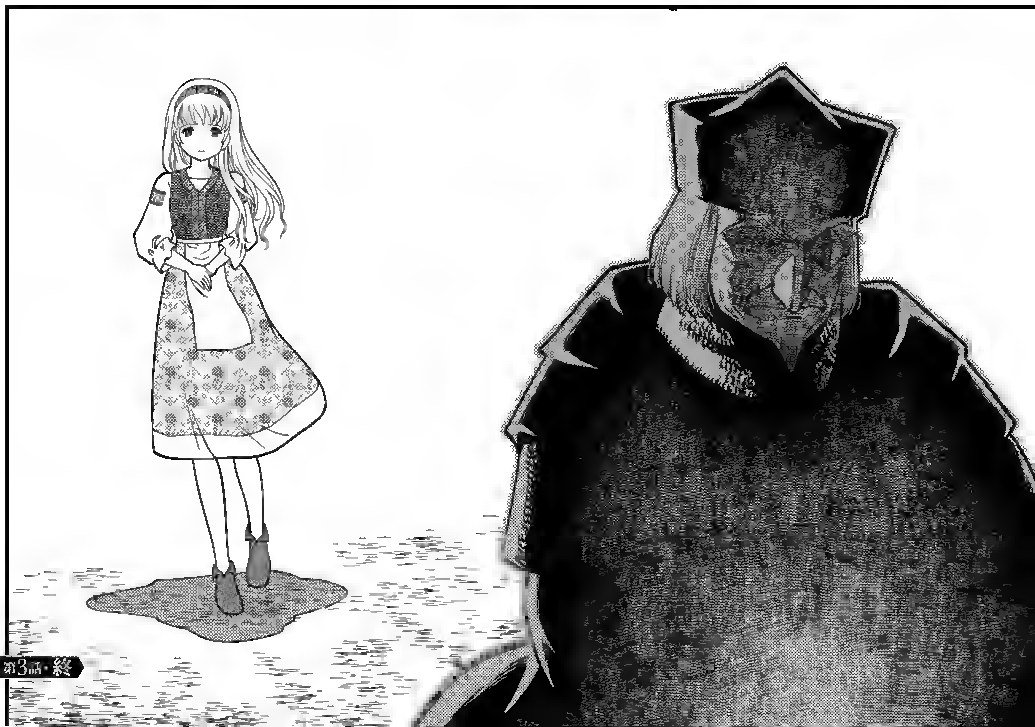
JUST AS I EXPECT..
NO, EVEN BETTER!
TOLD YA WE WOULDN'T GET ANYWHERE WITH THESE "ENLIGHTENED" ONES!
...
WE'D BE BETTER OFF HEADING FOR PRAGUE, OR JOINING THE CRUSADERS INSTEAD!
HELLO, MASTER HROMÁDKA! KATERINA!
WE SPLIT UP THEY WENT OFF TO THE OTHER "MOUNTS"!
WHERE'S VLASTA AND THE OTHERS?
UH, CAPTAIN ŽIŽKA?
RRR
THIS DOOMSDAY TALK IS SPREADING EVERYWHERE, THOUGH...
THIS ISN'T THE ONLY HUSSITE REFUGE THERE IS, Y'KNOW!


I DOUBT IT...
AFTER ALL, THIS WON'T BE THE FIRST TIME THEY GOT THE PROPHECY WRONG!
DO YOU REALLY THINK THE WORLD WILL COME TO AN END?
KAREL WAS LIKE A SON TO US...
AND YOU, YOU'RE PART OF OUR FAMILY TOO!
AIN'T THAT RIGHT, DARLING?
YEP!
YOU'RE LOOKING AWFULLY CHEERFUL THESE DAYS!
OH, YES!
ŠÁRKA!
YES?


WHERE'S YOUR PÍŠŤALA?


UH...
MAKE CAMP!
WE'LL BE IN THE NEIGHBOUR-HOOD FOR A WHILE



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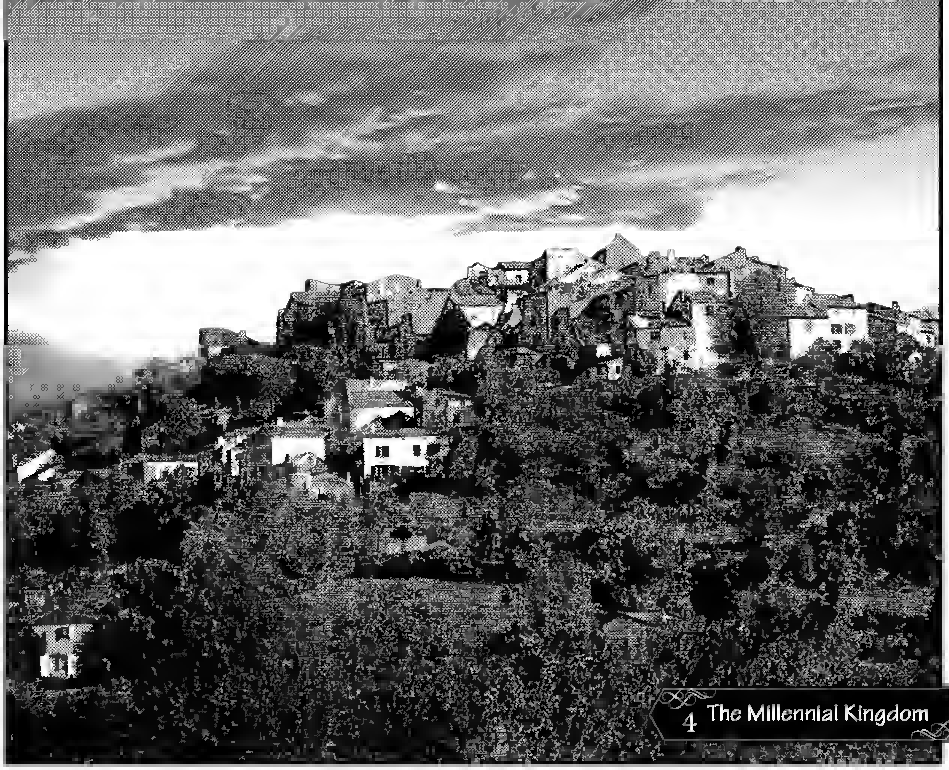
4 The Millennial Kingdom

KARI
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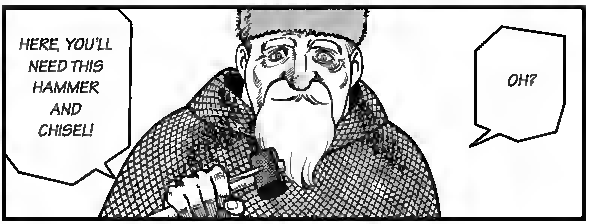
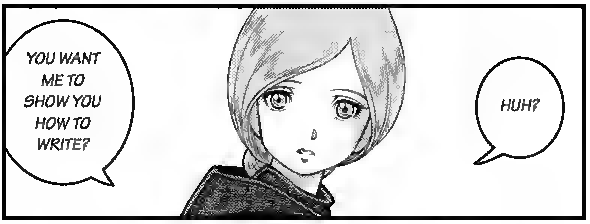

HERE, YOU'LL NEED THIS HAMMER AND CHISEL!
OH?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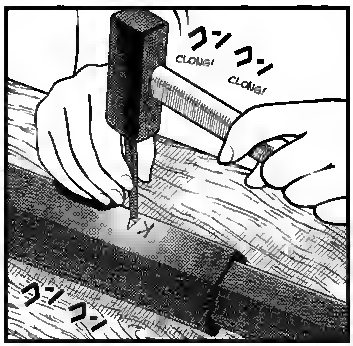
HUH?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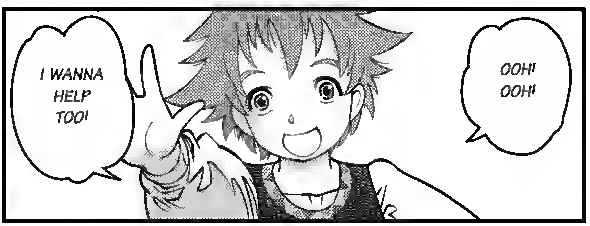
I WANNA HELP TOO!
OOH! OOH!

SO, WHO'S KAREL?
KAREL
KAREL
KAREL

OH, ŠÁRKA. THE MISERIES YOU'VE SUFFERED!
SNIFF!
DADDY
DADDY
AND THEN, HE WAS KILLED...
...!
I'M TIRED OF BEING PARALYZED BY FEAR.
WHENEVER THOSE I CARE ABOUT ARE IN DANGER...
NOW, ALL I DESIRE IS TO BE STRONG.
RIGHT, GABRIELA?
BUT IF THEY'RE THE BAD GUYS, THEN YOU HAVE NO CHOICE...
GOOD OR BAD, "THOU SHALT NOT KILL"!
NO!
ALTHOUGH THAT PROBABLY MEANS I'LL HAVE TO KILL.

TRICKY QUESTION, HUH?
FATHER MIKULÁŠ!
OH, SO DO I JUST WATCH AND DO NOTHING WHILE THESE MONSTERS KILL INNOCENT PEOPLE?
WELL...
THE BIBLE DID SAY...
BUT THAT MEANS THERE ARE THINGS THAT YOU STILL DON'T KNOW ABOUT!
THAT'S RIGHT!
HONESTLY SPEAKING, EVEN I DON'T KNOW HOW TO ANSWER THAT ONE
IT'S LIKE WHAT TANIA SAID
SOMETIMES YOU HAVE TO FIGHT, EVEN COMMIT SINS, OR ELSE...
PRAY THAT SOMEDAY, PEACE WILL COME TO THIS WORLD.
WHICH IS WHY IT IS ALWAYS GOOD TO PRAY.

KUTNÁ HORA
EASTERN BOHEMIA
HIS MAJESTY THE EMPEROR, AND THE ORDER OF THE DRAGON!
HERMANN II
COUNT OF CELJE
GARAI MIKLÓS (II)
PALATINE OF HUNGARY
FILIPPO SCOLARI
COUNT OF TEMESVÁR
STIBOR OF STIBORICZ
LORD OF THE "VÁH"

THEY WILL MAKE MINCEMEAT OF THE HERETICS!
HURRAH FOR THE CRUSADERS!
IT SEEMS HIS SOLDIERS HAVE COME FROM ALL FOUR CORNERS OF EUROPE!
THE HUNGARIAN NOBILITY HAS RALLIED AROUND THE EMPEROR!
HOORAY!
HURRAH!
INDEED...
AFTER PRAGUE, KUTNÁ HORA IS THE LARGEST CITY IN ALL BOHEMIA!
LOVELY CITY, IS IT NOT? ♪
SIGISMUND
HOLY ROMAN EMPEROR AND KING OF HUNGARY
BARBARA OF CELJE
EMPRESS

THE MAYOR IS KEEN ON SHOWING US ONE OF THE MINES CARE FOR A VISIT?
WITH PLEASURE! ♪
THE SILVER MINES ATTRACT A GOOD MANY GERMAN MERCHANTS AND ARTISANS..
OH, SO THAT'S WHY THERE'S STILL MOSTLY CATHOLICS HERE!
AAAHHH!
KILL US ALL YOU WANT!
BUT YOU'LL NEVER KILL OUR FAITH!
IT'S USELESS!
WHAT DO YOU THINK, YOUR MAJESTY?
QUIET, YOU HARLOT!
LET GO OF ME!

AW SHUCKS, YOU FLATTER ME, YOUR HIGHNESS!
AND YOU CAME UP WITH THIS IDEA? HOW VERY INGENIOUS!

WE'VE ALREADY THROWN SOME 5,000 IN, BUT THERE'S STILL A LONG WAY TO GO!
BY FILLING THE ABANDONED MINE SHAFT WITH HERETICS, WE GET TO KILL TWO BIRDS WITH ONE STONE!
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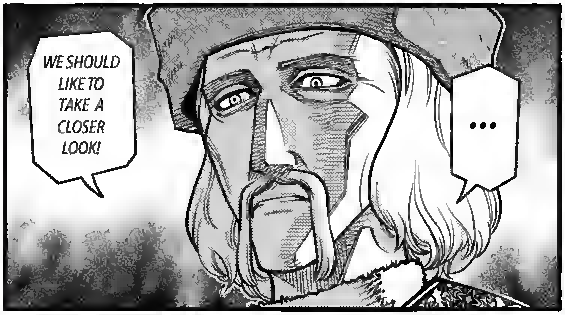
WE SHOULD LIKE TO TAKE A CLOSER LOOK!
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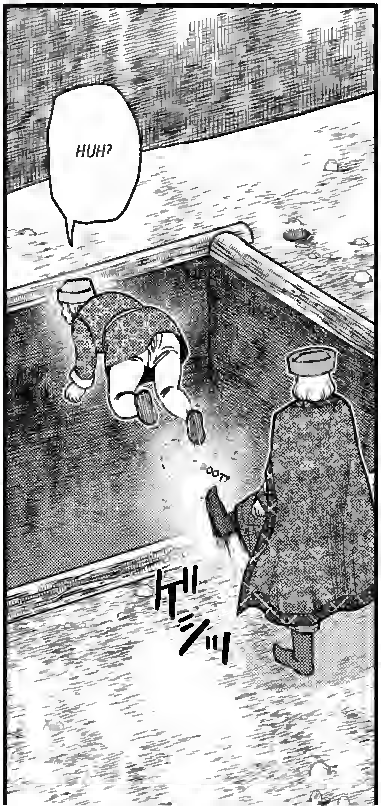
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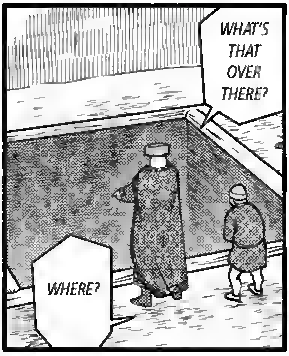
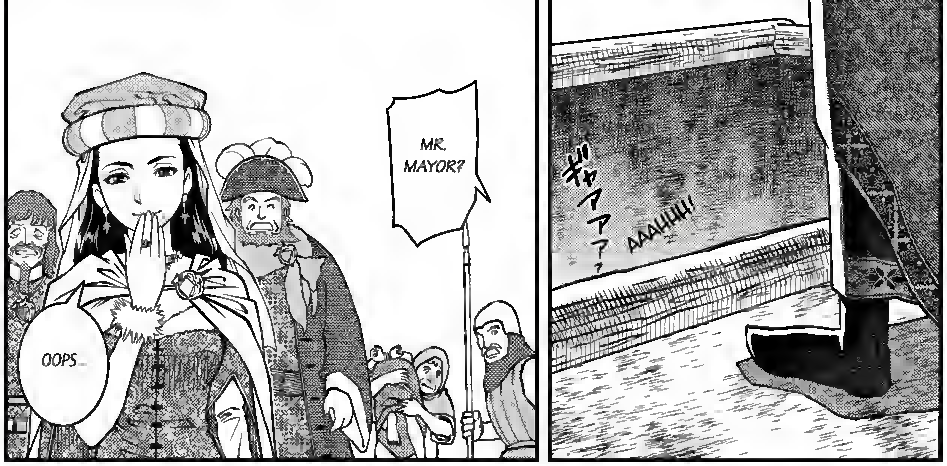
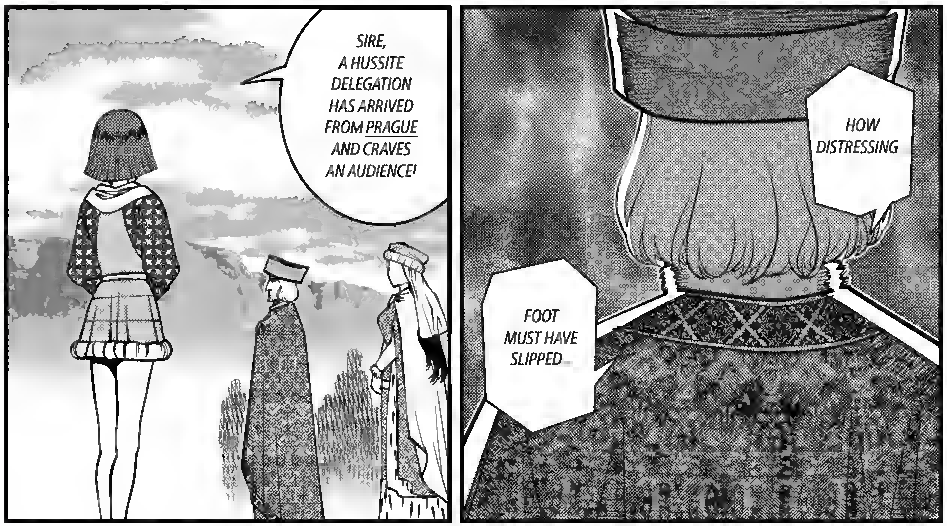
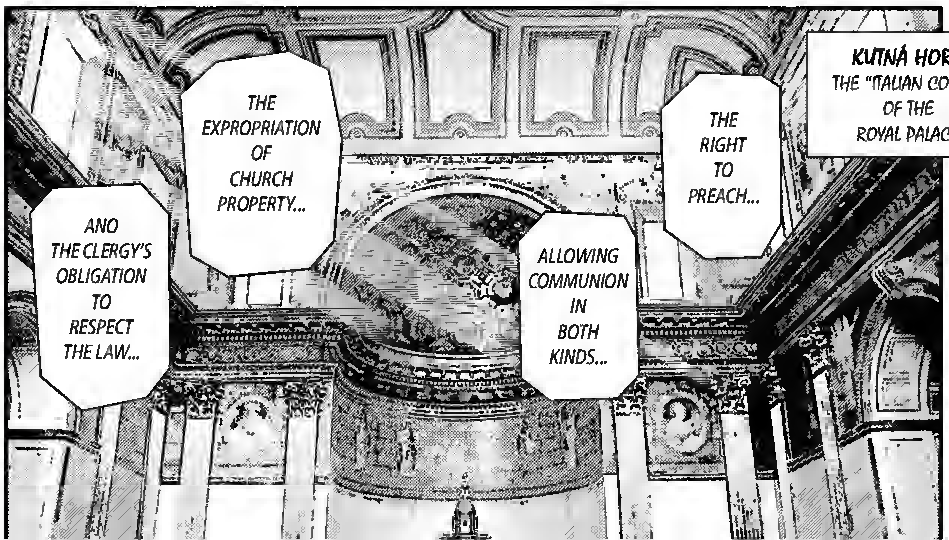
OOOH


WHAT'S THAT OVER THERE?
WHERE?

I ADVISE AGAINST GETTING TOO CLOSE, SIRE... IT'S DANGEROUS!


OOPS...
MR. MAYOR?
キャアア?
AAAHH!


SIRE, A HUSSITE DELEGATION HAS ARRIVED FROM PRAGUE AND CRAVES AN AUDIENCE!
HOW DISTRESSING
FOOT MUST HAVE SLIPPED...


KUTNÁ HORA
THE "ITALIAN COURT" OF THE ROYAL PALACE
THE EXPROPRIATION OF CHURCH PROPERTY...
THE RIGHT TO PREACH...
ANO THE CLERGY'S OBLIGATION TO RESPECT THE LAW...
ALLOWING COMMUNION IN BOTH KINDS...

ACKNOWLEDGE YOUR SOVEREIGNTY AS KING OF BOHEMIA!
IF HIS MAJESTY AGREES WITH THESE FOUR ARTICLES, THE CITY OF PRAGUE AND THE NOBILITY...
ČENĚK OF WARTENBERG
REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE BOHEMIAN NOBILITY
NOT FIGHTING... THAT'S WHAT BOTHERS ME!
IT'S TEMPTING, IF HIS MAJESTY CAN SECURE THE THRONE WITHOUT A FIGHT...
SURELY YOU DO NOT INTEND TO SIDE WITH THE HERETICS, SIRE?
AND AS WE COULD NOT FIND A MORE EQUITABLE COMPROMISE...
WE ONLY NOTE YOUR URGENCY IN TRYING TO REACH US IN SUCH HASTE...
EMPEROR OR NOT, SURELY SIGISMUND WILL WANT TO AVOID WAR...
PRAGUE WILL NOT EASILY FALL!
THE TERMS SOUND REASONABLE! IT'LL BE SOME FEAT IF THEY ALL AGREE THOUGH...
A FASCINATING MAN, IS ČENĚK! ♪

AS EMPEROR, WE BROOK NO COMPRO-MISE WITH HERETICS!
AND WE WILL NOT LAY OOWN OUR SWORD...
UNTIL PRAGUE HAS FALLEN, AND HERESY ANNIHI-LATEO!
THEN WE CAN AGREE TO A PEACEFUL RESOLUTION, SIRE?
NEVER!
THIS WAR WILL NOT LAST A MONTH!
AND WE WILL RELISH THE MOMENT WHEN PRAGUE CASTLE AND THE VYŠEHRAD...
ARE IN OUR HANDS!
THAT'S MY HUBBY! ♪
...!

OUR FATHER, WHO ART IN HEAVEN...
HALLOWED BE THY NAME...
PAPA, ARE WE ALL GOING TO PARADISE TONIGHT?
NO, IT IS THIS PLACE THAT WILL BECOME PARADISE!
CHRIST WILL RETURN, AND ALL THE FALSE PROPHETS WILL BE CAST OUT!
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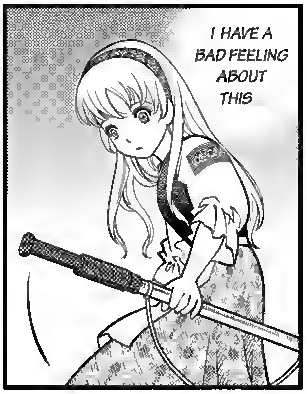
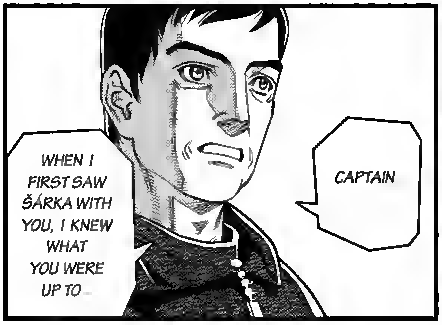
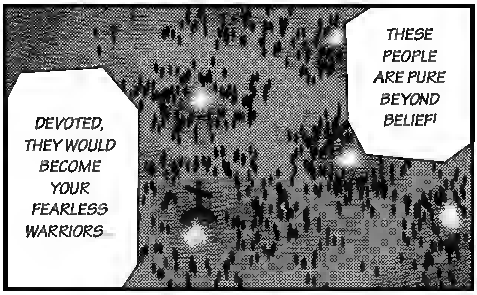
ŠÁRKA!
HAVE YOU SEEN FATHER MIKULÁŠ AROUND?
NO
HE SHOULD BE HERE AT THIS HOUR
I'LL HELP YOU LOOK FOR HIM!
THANK YOU!

AN AWE-INSPIRING SIGHT, DON'T YOU AGREE?


I HAVE A BAD FEELING ABOUT THIS...


WHEN I FIRST SAW ŠÁRKA WITH YOU, I KNEW WHAT YOU WERE UP TO...
CAPTAIN

I HAD LOST MY RIGHT-HAND MAN...
YOUR LEAVING PUT ME IN A BIND, Y'KNOW...


DEVOTED, THEY WOULD BECOME YOUR FEARLESS WARRIORS...
THESE PEOPLE ARE PURE BEYOND BELIEF!

YOU'VE FOUND IT AT LAST, HAVEN'T YOU?
THAT IDEAL ARMY THAT YOU'VE BEEN SEARCHING FOR ALL THESE YEARS...

THE SOLDIERS I HAVE ALWAYS WANTED ARE ALL HERE!
WHO WOULD GIVE THEIR LIVES FOR SOMETHING OTHER THAN THEMSELVES...

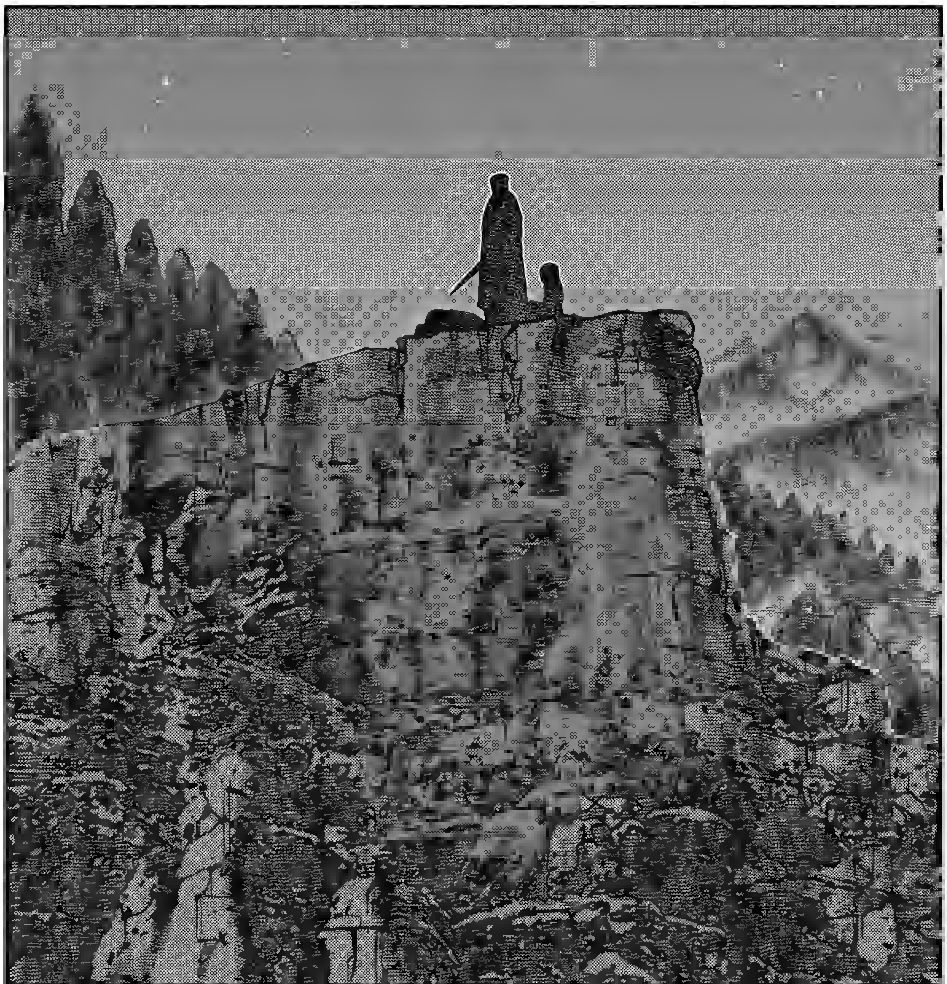
HE GOT DUPED BY SIGISMUND, AND LET HIMSELF BE BURNED WITHOUT EVEN RESISTING!
LOOK WHERE ALL OF JAN HUS' PIETY LED HIM!
BUT...
ONE PRAYER IS ALL IT TAKES TO GAIN SALVATION? DON'T MAKE ME LAUGH!
DON'T TELL ME YOU ACTUALLY BELIEVE IN ALL THESE PROPHECIES?
EXCEPT THAT THEY'RE ALL HERE, BECAUSE THEY DON'T WANT WAR!
WHEN I DECIDED TO BECOME A MONK, IT WASN'T JUST BECAUSE I WANTED TO SAVE MY SOUL...
IF YOU TALK TO THEM, THEY WILL LISTEN TO YOU!
HELP ME AVENGE, MIKULÁŠ...
I CANNOT SEE HOW I CAN HELP YOU...
NO, YOU DID NOT...
I NEVER ASKED YOU TO!
YOU, A PRISONER OF THE BATTLEFIELD!
I WANTED TO SAVE YOURS, TOO!

I KNOW...
YOU LEAVE ME NO OPTION
!!
HGNN!
...!

SHE SAW EVERY-THING!
FATHER MIKULÁŠ!
FATHER MIKULÁŠ!
JAN...
THAT'LL BE A PROBLEM...
!
I...
FORGIVE... YOU...

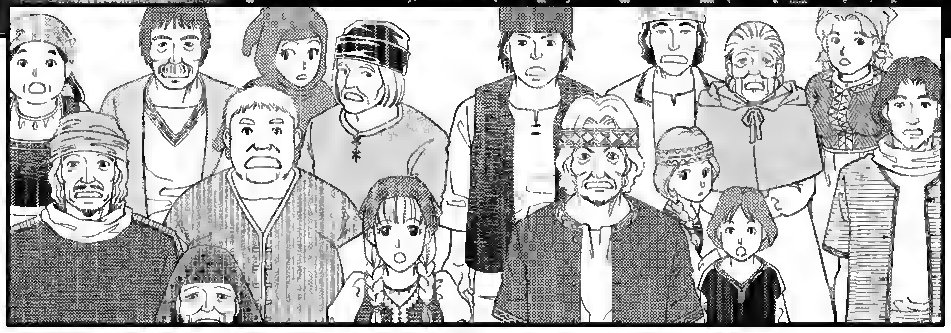
I WANTED TO STAY HERE FOREVER!
YOU WELCOMED ME
FATHER YOU'VE BEEN SO GOOD TO ME...
I'M SO SORRY!
I...
AND I HAVE...
I WANTED TO FIND STRENGTH...
YOU..
I...
FATHER WAS...

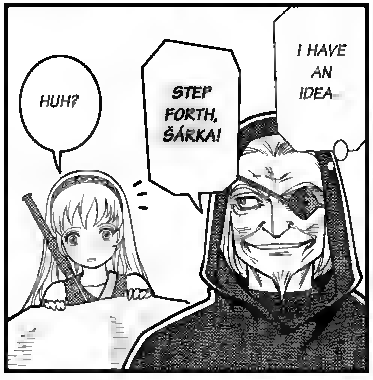
HU..GH!
STAND ASIDE, ŠÁRKA!
LET ME END THIS QUICKLY!



BEFORE I TAKE MY LEAVE!
I NOW CONVEY HIS WORDS.
I HAVE LISTENED ...
AND GOD HATH SPOKEN!
SHH HE'S SPEAKING!
THE FATHER IS LEAVING US?
IT'S FATHER MIKULÁŠ!
THE DAY OF JUDGMENT HAS COMETH!
HARKEN TO ME!
HE'S PRETENDING TO BE THE FATHER!

ARISE NOW, WARRIORS OF GOD!
AND YOU HAVE A DUTY TO VANQUISH THE ENEMY!




I HAVE AN IDEA
STEP FORTH, ŠÁRKA!
HUH?

...!!
WARRIORS OF GOD?
DOES HE MEAN US?

WHAT, ME !?
AN ANGEL OF WAR, SENT FROM HEAVEN!
BEHOLD, THE GIRL...

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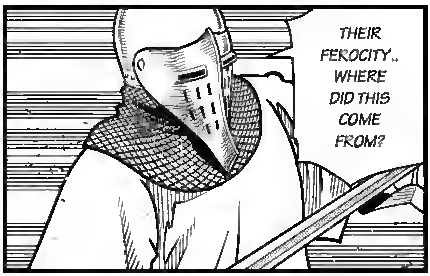
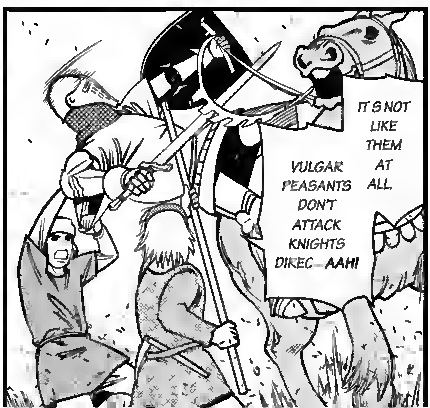
AFTER THE BIBLICAL MOUNT WHERE THE TRANSFIGURATION OF JESUS TOOK PLACE
THE VILLAGE IN THE MOUNTAINS WAS CHRISTENED TÁBOR.

SOUND THE RETREAT!
WE NEED TO REGROUP!


THEIR FEROCITY.. WHERE DID THIS COME FROM?


IT'S NOT LIKE THEM AT ALL.
VULGAR PEASANTS DON'T ATTACK KNIGHTS DIREC— AAH!

ALL IS GOING ACCORDING TO PLAN! ♪
PERFECT
THEY'RE RUNNING AWAY, CAPTAIN!
HEY, COME BACK!
THE TABORITES TOO, HAVE BEEN TRANSFIGURED INTO A FIERCE FIGHTING FORCE
THE ENEMY IS BUCKLING!
!?
...!
FIRE!
DAT WOMEN !?

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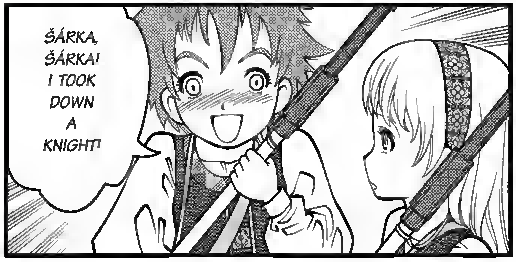
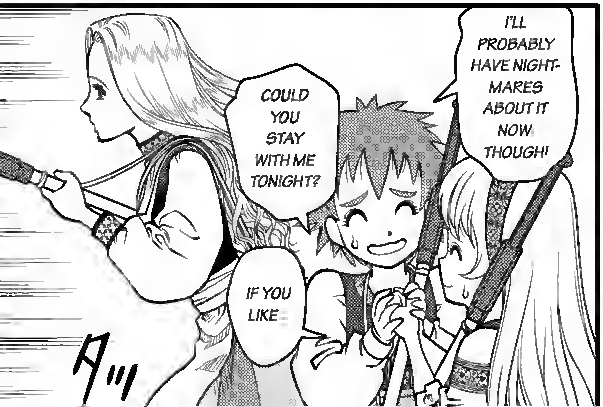
WOO-HOO!
WE WON!

I CAN'T BELIEVE IT!
WE ACTUALLY WON!


ŠÁRKA, ŠÁRKA! I TOOK DOWN A KNIGHT!

HEY! NO FROLIC-KING YET, LADIES!
DON'T FORGET TO CLEAN YOUR WEAPONS!
YES, MADAME HROMÁDKA!


I'LL PROBABLY HAVE NIGHT-MARES ABOUT IT NOW THOUGH!
COULD YOU STAY WITH ME TONIGHT?
IF YOU LIKE...

HA HA HA HA! DIE! DIE! YOU PIECE OF...
LAURA!
QUIET, SCUM!
I SUR-RENDER!
PLEASE, DON'T SHOOT!
WE FOLLOW-ED YOUR INSTRUC-TIONS AS ORDERED!
IT SEEMS SO EASY!
BRAVO, FAIR ONES!
♪
GOOD WORK!
CAN'T WAIT TO SEE IT!
ANY ENEMY YOU WANT DEAD, YOU CAN COUNT ON ME, I PROMISE!
GOOD GOOD
AND FOR TEACHING ME TO FIGHT!
CAPTAIN ŽIŽKA, I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THIS WEAPON!

...
HE IS IN HEAVEN, NO DOUBT...
CAN I TRUST YOU IN THIS?
YES.
FATHER ...
WHY?
WHY?
...!

WHAT IS IT?
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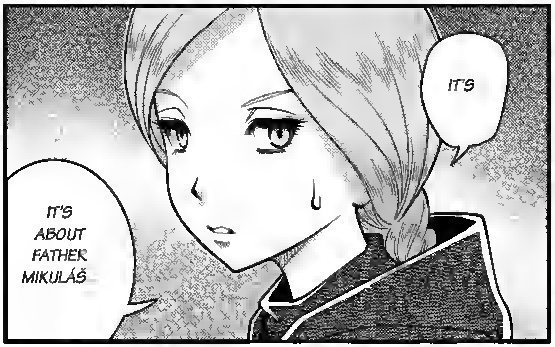
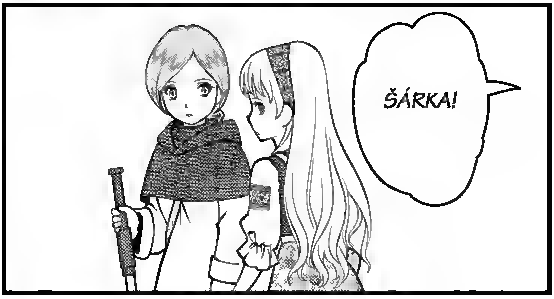
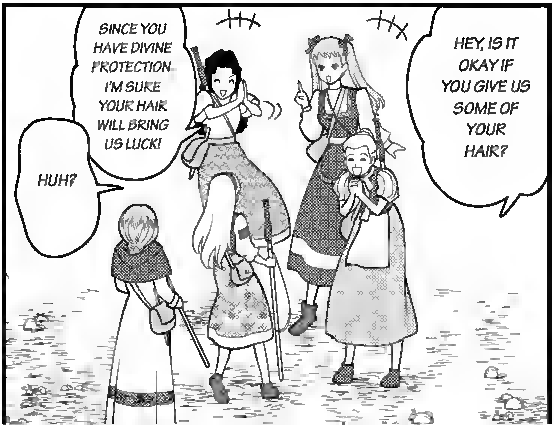
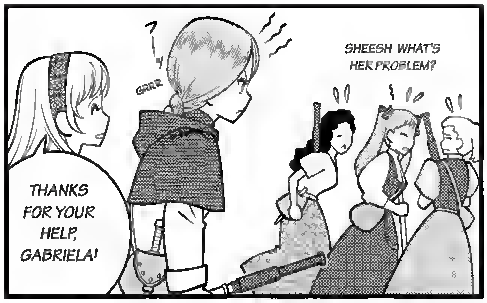
CAN I ASK YOU SOMETHING, ŠÁRKA?


IT'S
IT'S ABOUT FATHER MIKULÁŠ


ŠÁRKA!

GRR
I'M NOT AN ANGEL, SERIOUSLY!
BUT I DON'T FEEL.
C'MON, JUST ONE STRAND!
PLEASE!


SINCE YOU HAVE DIVINE PROTECTION, I'M SURE YOUR HAIR WILL BRING US LUCK!
HEY, IS IT OKAY IF YOU GIVE US SOME OF YOUR HAIR?
HUH?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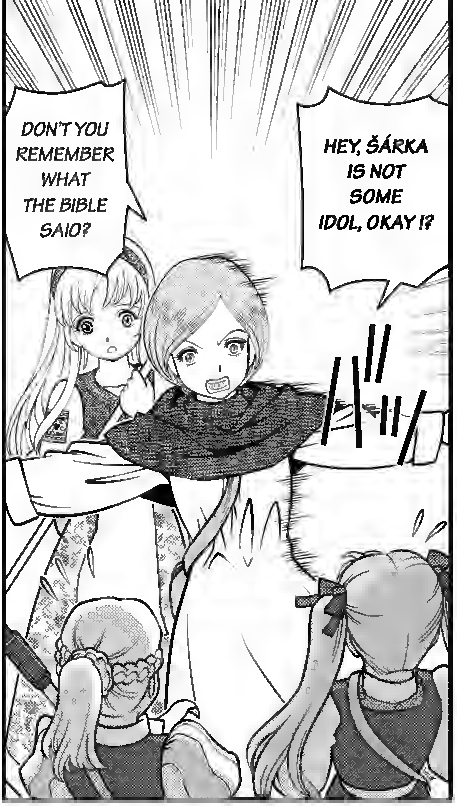
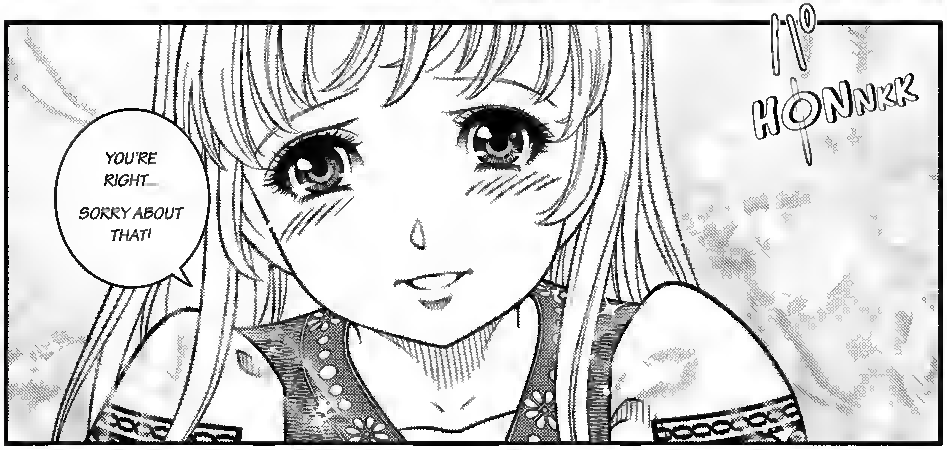
GRR
SHEESH WHAT'S HER PROBLEM?
THANKS FOR YOUR HELP, GABRIELA!


DON'T YOU REMEMBER WHAT THE BIBLE SAID?
HEY, ŠÁRKA IS NOT SOME IDOL, OKAY!?

AND YOU, DON'T LET THEM PUSH YOU AROUND, GOT IT?


HONNKK
YOU'RE RIGHT... SORRY ABOUT THAT!

HONNNKKK
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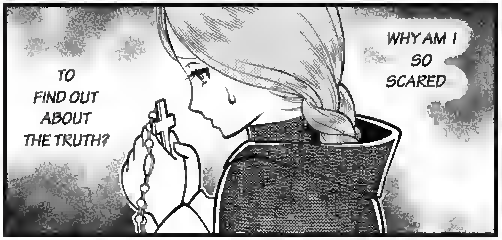
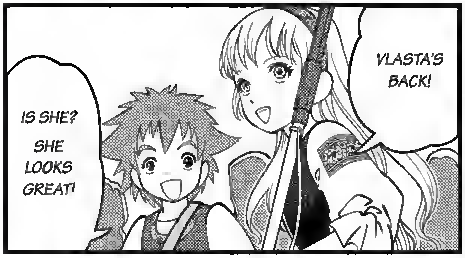
BA-BUMP

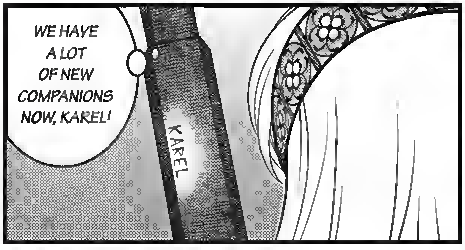
HA HA HA! THANKS FOR LOOKING AFTER THE KIDS, KATERINA!
EASY FOR YOU TO SAY!

HONK
HONK
GET INTO LINE NOW!
HEY, CAN'T YOU TWO HEAR THE HORN!?
MA'AM YES MA'AM!

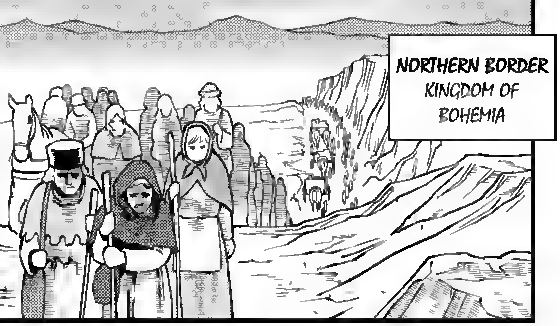

WHY AM I SO SCARED
TO FIND OUT ABOUT THE TRUTH?

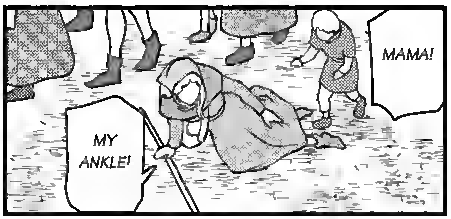

YLASTA'S BACK!
IS SHE?
SHE LOOKS GREAT!

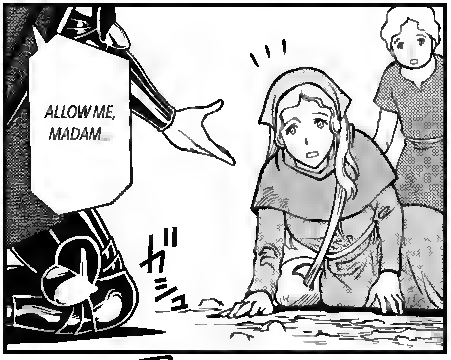
I BROUGHT ANOTHER 500 MEN FROM PÍSEK!
PERFECT, NICE WORK! ♪


WE HAVE A LOT OF NEW COMPANIONS NOW, KAREL!
KAREL

AHOY THERE, JAN! EVERYONE DOING WELL?


NORTHERN BORDER
KINGDOM OF
BOHEMIA


MAMA!
MY ANKLE!


ALLOW ME, MADAM...
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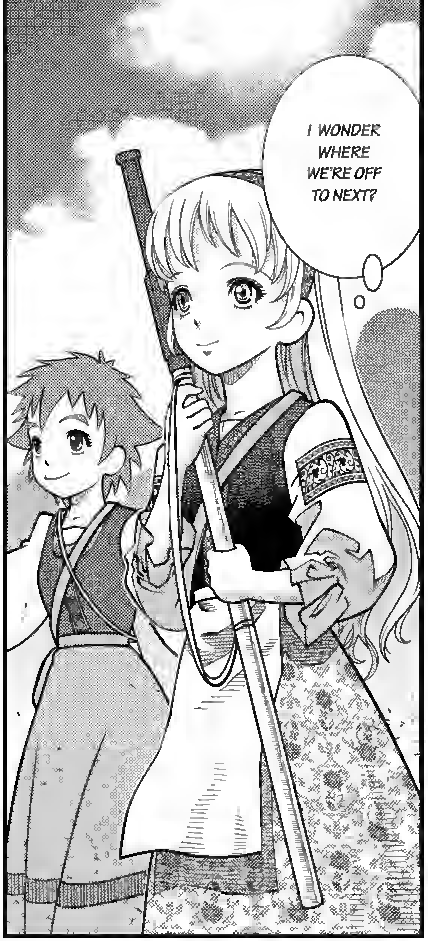
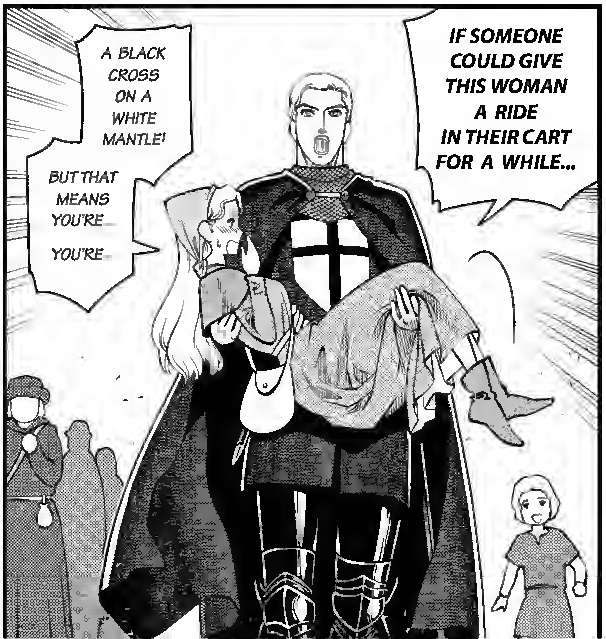

I WONDER WHERE WE'RE OFF TO NEXT?

THE KNIGHTS FROM THE NORTH HAVE ARRIVED!
THE TEUTONIC ORDER!


A BLACK CROSS ON A WHITE MANTLE!
BUT THAT MEANS YOU'RE...
YOU'RE...
IF SOMEONE COULD GIVE THIS WOMAN A RIDE IN THEIR CART FOR A WHILE...

YES AND THE EMPEROR AND THE CRUSADERS ARE ALSO...
THE HERETICS ARE BASED IN PRAGUE, ARE THEY NOT?
THEIR BARBARITY IS WORSE THAN I FEARED...
THEY KILL PRIESTS, AND PERFORM THEIR RELIGIOUS ABOMINATIONS!
THEY'VE DESTROYED CHURCHES AND MONAS TERIES...
THE HUSSITES DROVE US FROM OUR HOMES
'TIS OUR SWORN DUTY TO PROTECT THE FAITHFUL AND THE WEAK...
OURS IS BOTH A RELIGIOUS AND MILITARY ORDER...
I, WILHELM VON SCHWARTZ SHALL SMITE WITH MY LANCE THESE SERVANTS OF EVIL!
AND AS HEAVEN IS MY WITNESS...
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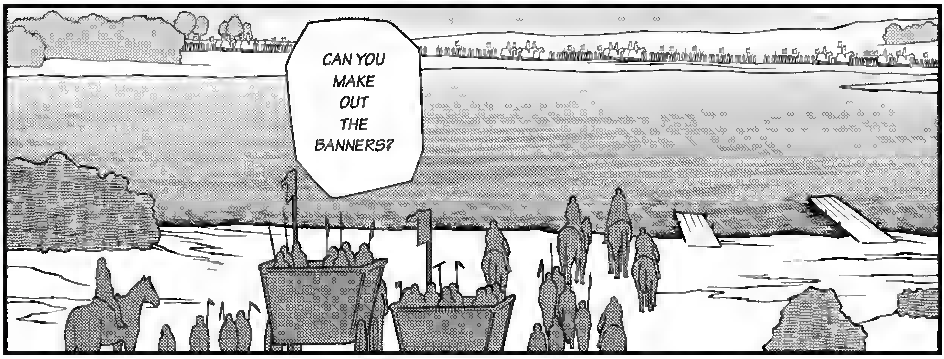
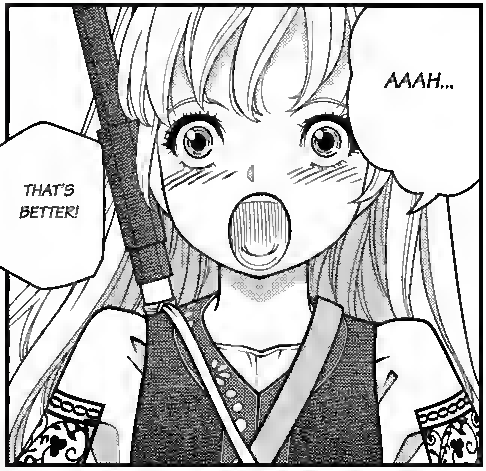
OVER THE OTHER SIDE...
WHOSE ARMY IS THAT?

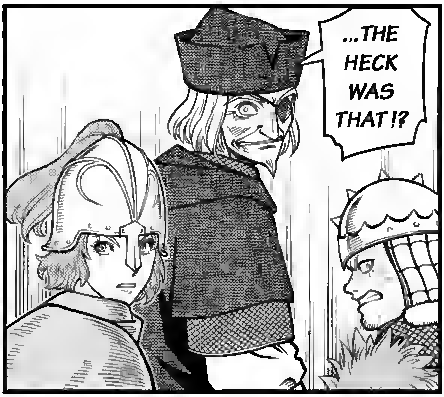

CAN YOU MAKE OUT THE BANNERS?

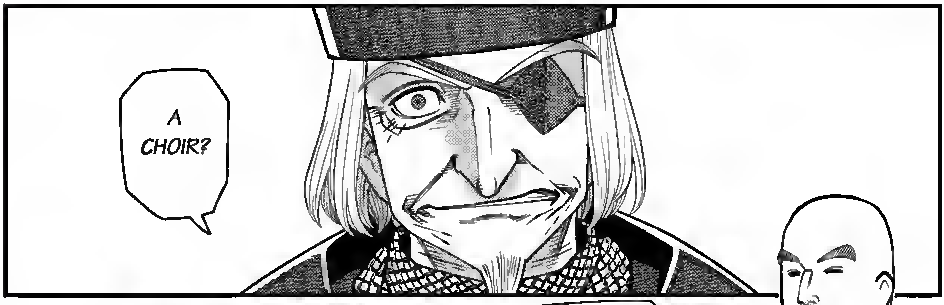

AAAH...
THAT'S BETTER!

AAAH..
YOUR VOICE IS TOO SOFT. IT NEEDS TO COME FROM THE BELLY!

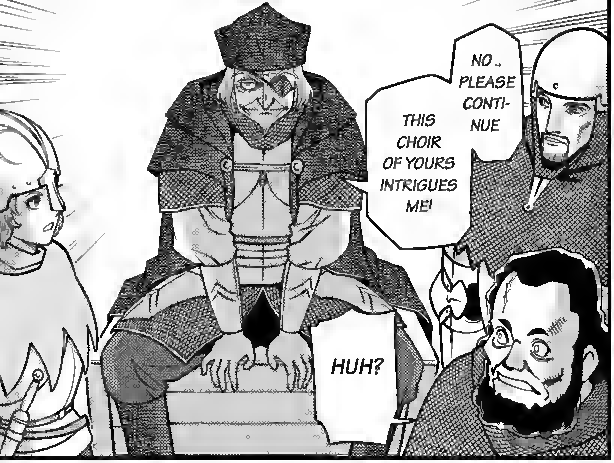
AAAH...
VERY GOOD!
AAAH...
DON'T SCREAM IT OUT A LITTLE MORE GRACE!
UGH, IT'S THE PRINCE-ELECTOR OF BRANDENBURG!
CRUSADERS ARE COMING FROM EVERYWHERE!
GERMAN HIGH NOBILITY? WOW!
AAAHHH!
WHAT THE ...!?
BLOODY ANNOY-ING!
BUT LET'S MAKE A DETOUR JUST TO BE SAFE
PRAGUE IS JUST A LITTLE FURTHER DOWN THE VLTAVA.
ONE, TWO, THREE, FOUR.
EVERYONE READY?

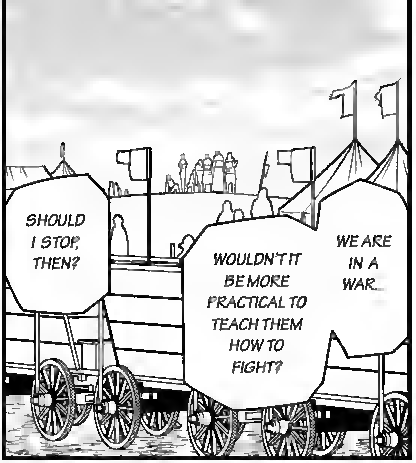
EVERYONE, AWAY FROM THE SHORE!
DAMN, THEY'VE SPOTTED US!

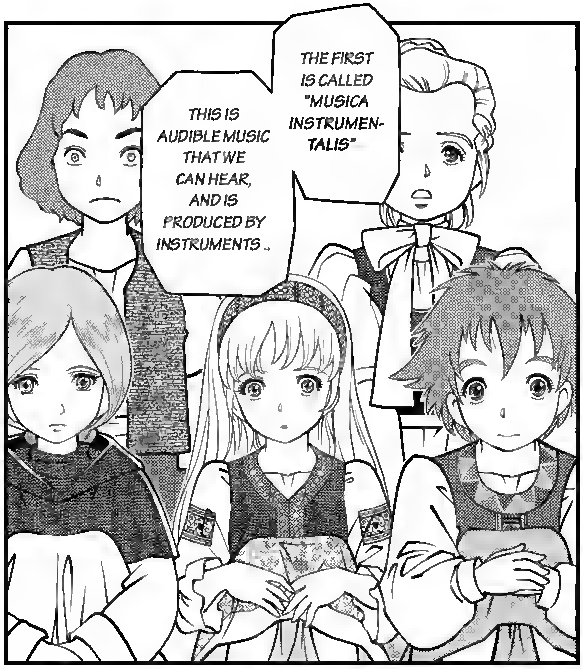

...THE HECK WAS THAT!?

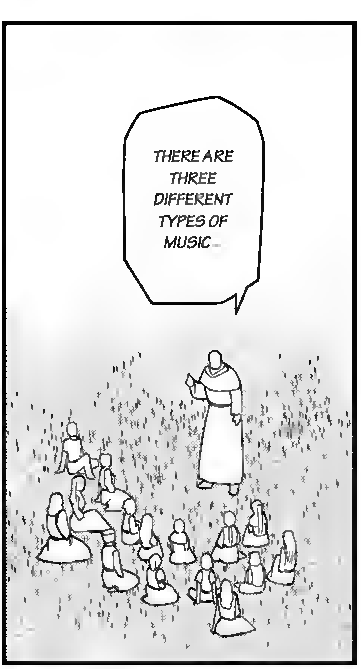

A CHOIR?

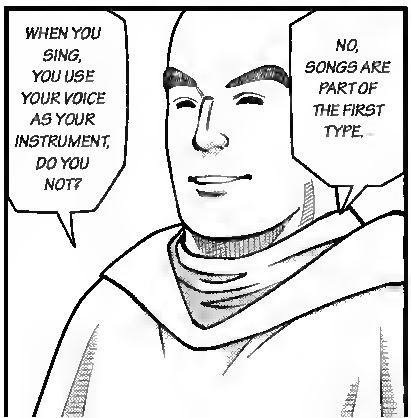
SO AS TO ENGAGE THE FAITHFUL AND UNITE THEIR HEARTS AS ONE!
JAN HUS HIMSELF RECOMMENDED THAT CZECH HYMNS BE SUNG DURING SERVICE
LOOK, PROKOP I KNOW YOU'RE ZEALOUS AND PASSIONATE WITH YOUR WORK, BUT
SINCE SOME OF THE CHILDREN HAVE BEAUTIFUL VOICES
I THINK THAT A CHOIR WOULD BE A GOOD PLACE TO START


HUH?
THIS CHOIR OF YOURS INTRIGUES ME!
NO.. PLEASE CONTI-NUE


SHOULD I STOP, THEN?
WOULDN'T IT BE MORE PRACTICAL TO TEACH THEM HOW TO FIGHT?
WE ARE IN A WAR...


THIS IS AUDIBLE MUSIC THAT WE CAN HEAR, AND IS PRODUCED BY INSTRUMENTS..
THE FIRST IS CALLED "MUSICA INSTRUMEN-TALIS"

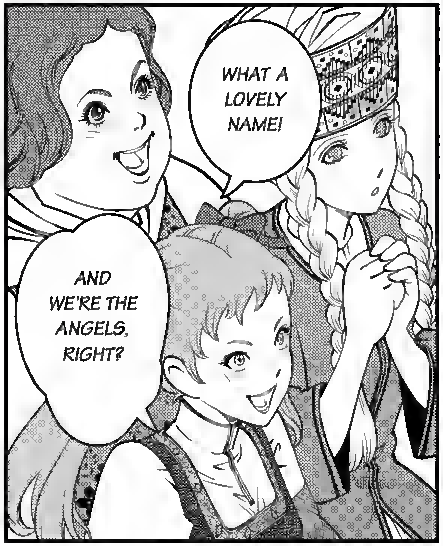

THERE ARE THREE DIFFERENT TYPES OF MUSIC...

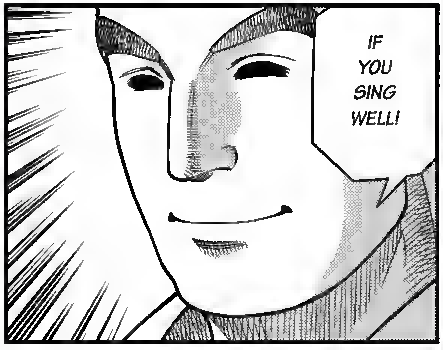

WHEN YOU SING, YOU USE YOUR VOICE AS YOUR INSTRUMENT, DO YOU NOT?
NO, SONGS ARE PART OF THE FIRST TYPE...

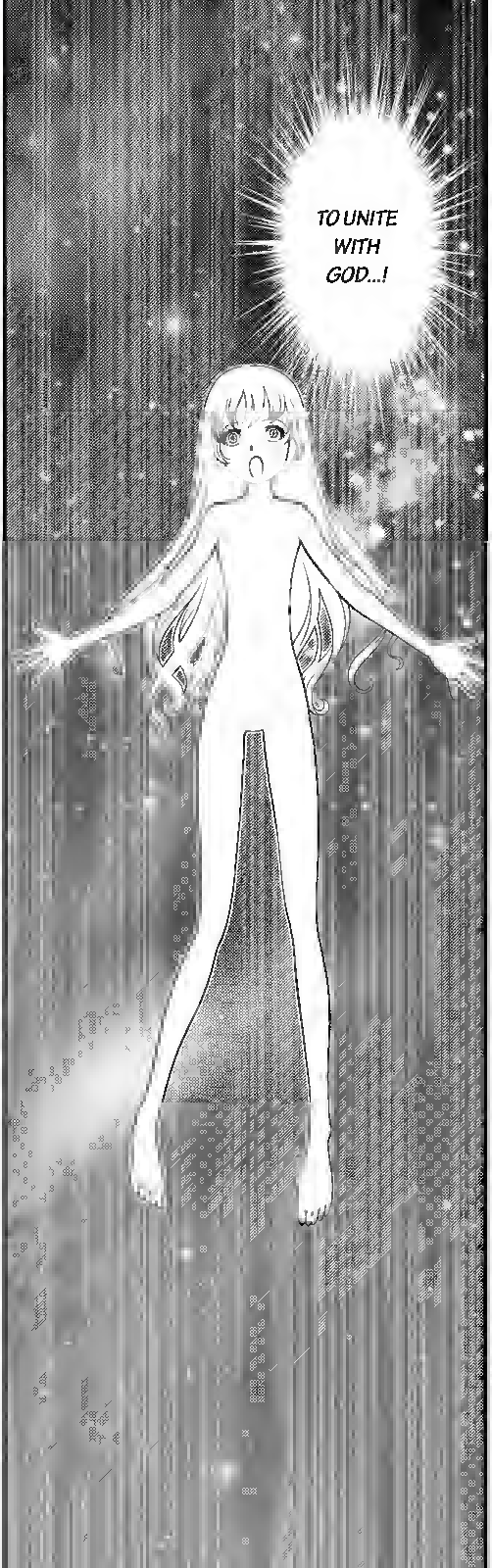
FATHER PROKOPI
IS SINGING CONSIDERED PART OF THIS TYPE?
MUSIC THAT GOVERNS THE MOVEMENTS OF BOTH BODY AND SOUL...
THE SECOND TYPE IS CALLED "MUSICA HUMANA"...

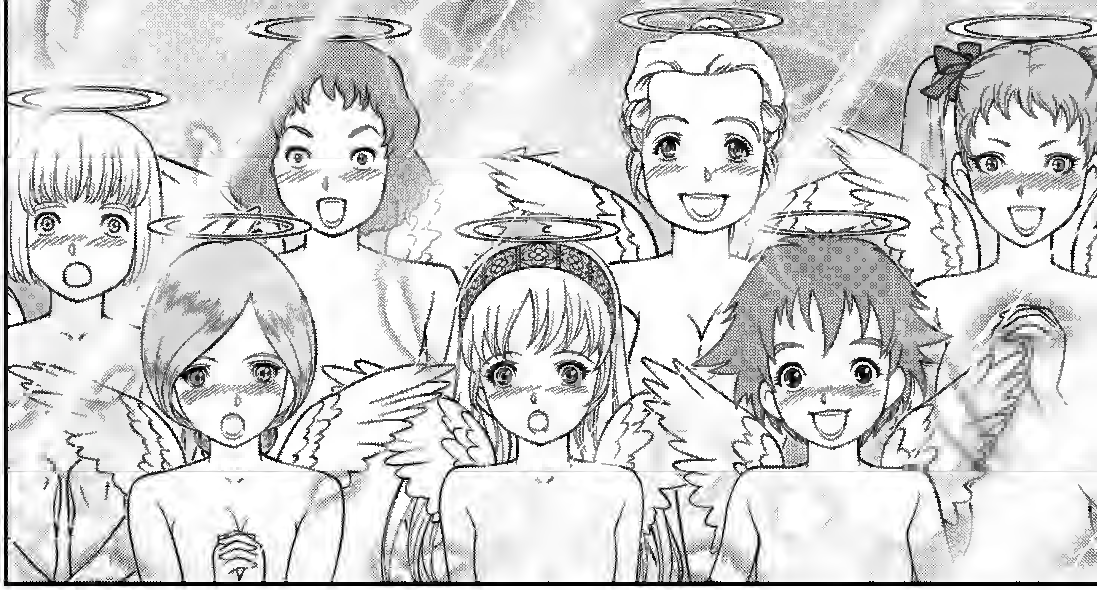
BA-BUMP
BA-BUMP
AND WITHIN US, THERE IS A MULTITUDE OF MELODIES, MOST OF WHICH WE CANNOT HEAR...
THAT IS THE "MUSICA HUMANA"!
OUR SOULS MOVE IN TANDEM WITH THE BEATING OF OUR HEARTS...
THE SOUNDS OF THE WIND, THE WATER, THE STARS... THE MUSIC OF THE WORLD AROUND US!
FINALLY, THERE IS THE "MUSICA MUNDANA"...
SINGING ALLOWS US TO BE AT ONE WITH GOD, TO UNITE WITH GOD!
NATURE IS FULL OF MELODIES THAT MAN CANNOT HEAR...
MELODIES THAT ARE PLAYED BY GOD...
AT UNIVERSITY, THEOLOGIANS CONSIDER THIS THE MOST IMPORTANT TYPE OF ALL!
IF YOU LISTEN CLOSELY, THIS MUSIC CAN REVEAL THE WORKINGS OF THE UNIVERSE ITSELF!
THE WORLD SINGS TO US!

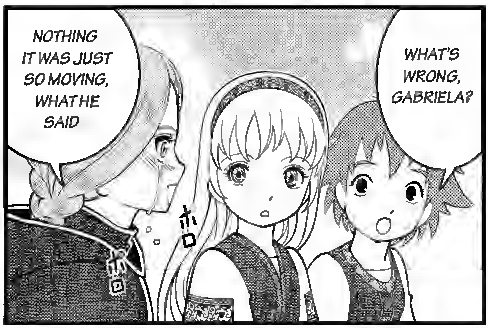
I WOULD LIKE FOR OUR CHOIR TO BE CALLED "THE ANGELS OF TÁBOR"!


WHAT A LOVELY NAME!
AND WE'RE THE ANGELS, RIGHT?

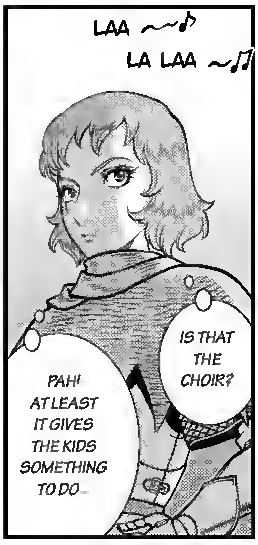

IF YOU SING WELL!

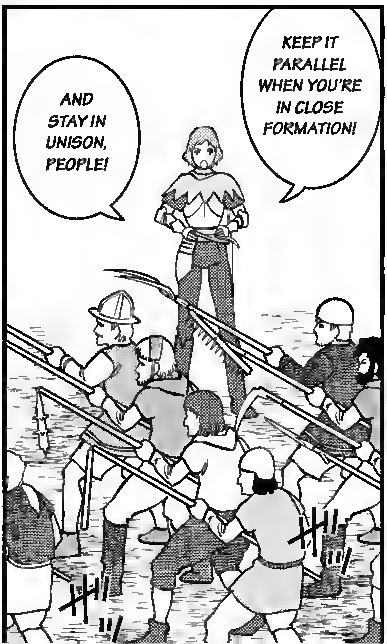

TO UNITE WITH GOD...!




NOTHING IT WAS JUST SO MOVING, WHAT HE SAID
WHAT'S WRONG, GABRIELA?

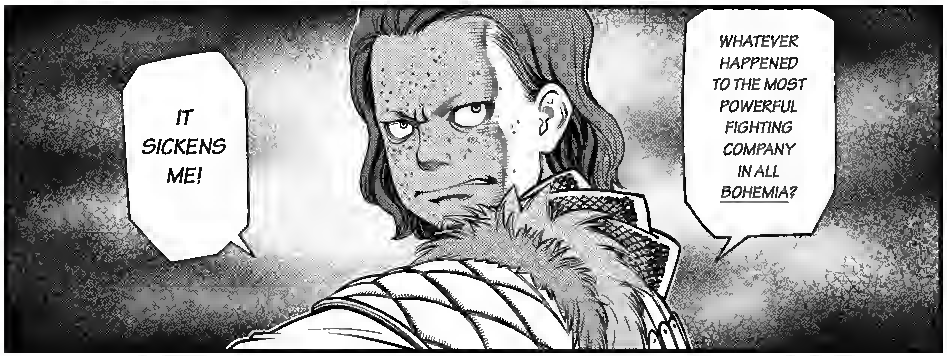
WE'RE GONNA BE SINGING, THAT'S GREAT!
HEH HEH HEH! ME AN ANGEL, CAN YOU IMAGINE?

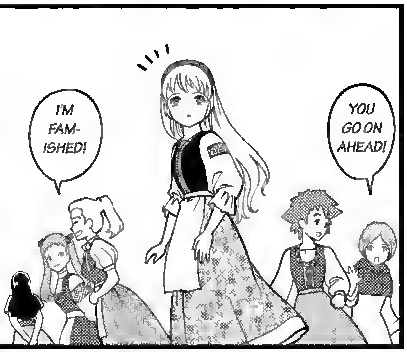

LAA ～♪
LA LAA ～♫
IS THAT THE CHOIR?
PAH! AT LEAST IT GIVES THE KIDS SOMETHING TO DO...


AND STAY IN UNISON, PEOPLE!
KEEP IT PARALLEL WHEN YOU'RE IN CLOSE FORMATION!

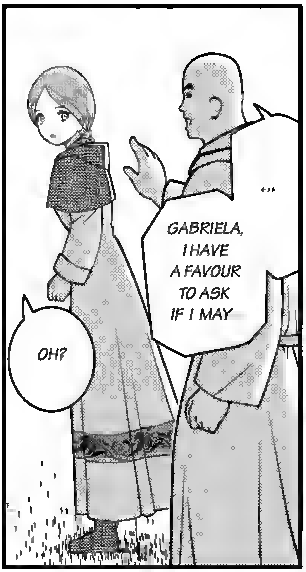
ARE WE ALL READY TO REHEARSE?
YEAH!!!

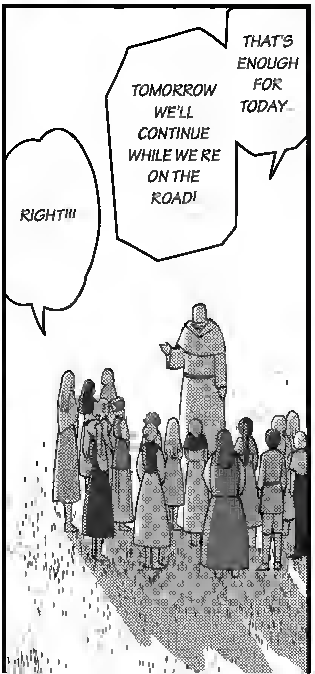
GLORIA!
GLORIA!
ALL HIS NEW RECRUITS ARE NOTHING BUT PEASANTS AND WOMEN!
FIRST, IT'S SWARMING THE RANK-AND-FILE WITH FLUTE-PLAYERS... NOW IT'S A FKIEST AND HIS CHOIR?
HE PROBABLY HAS SOMETHING IN MIND...
BUT YOU'RE RIGHT, IT IS STRANGE...
CAPTAIN'S BEEN ACTING WEIRD LATELY!

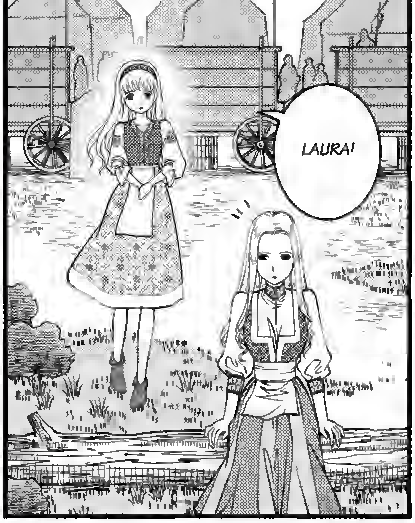

IT SICKENS ME!
WHATEVER HAPPENED TO THE MOST POWERFUL FIGHTING COMPANY IN ALL BOHEMIA?

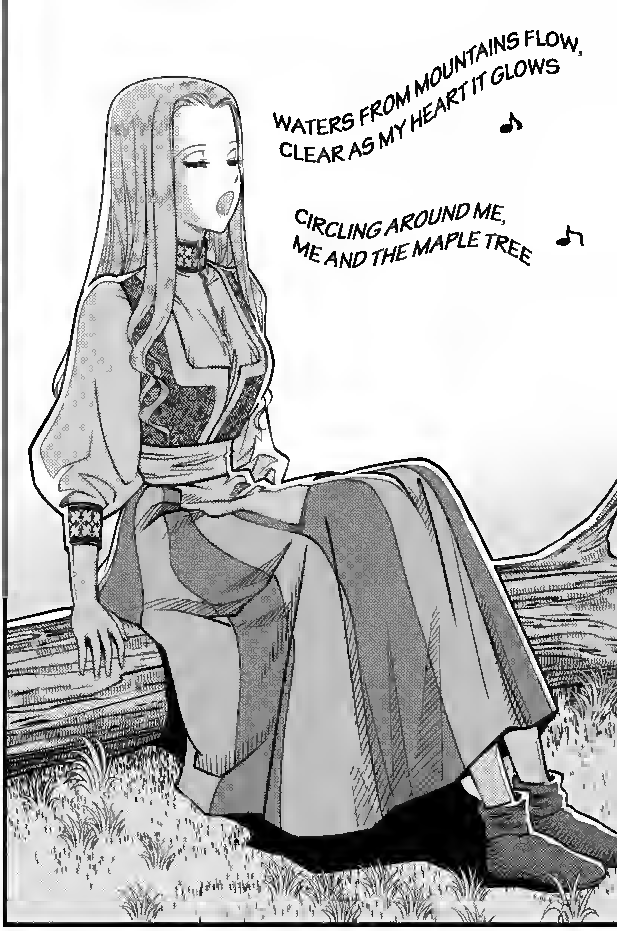

I'M FAM-ISHED!
YOU GO ON AHEAD!

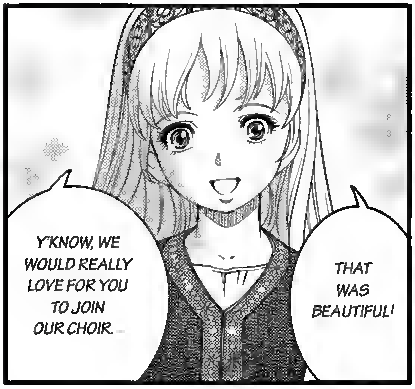
SOME-BODY IS SINGING...

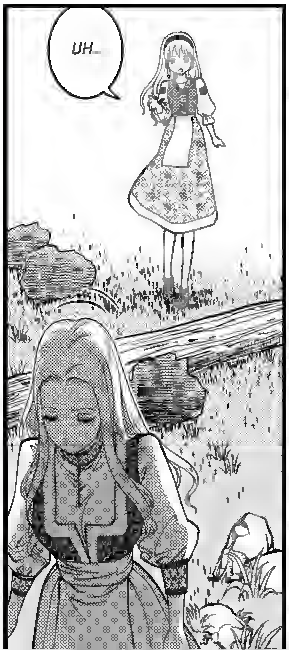

...
GABRIELA, I HAVE A FAVOUR TO ASK IF I MAY...
OH?


THAT'S ENOUGH FOR TODAY...
TOMORROW WE'LL CONTINUE WHILE WE'RE ON THE ROAD!
RIGHT!!!

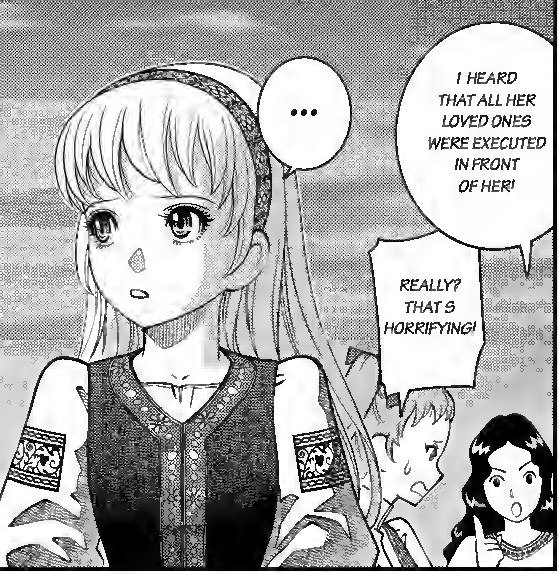

LAURA!

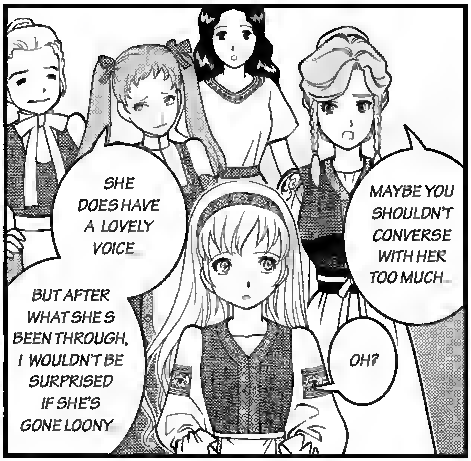

WATERS FROM MOUNTAINS FLOW,
CLEAR AS MY HEART IT GLOWS
♪
CIRCLING AROUND ME,
ME AND THE MAPLE TREE
♪

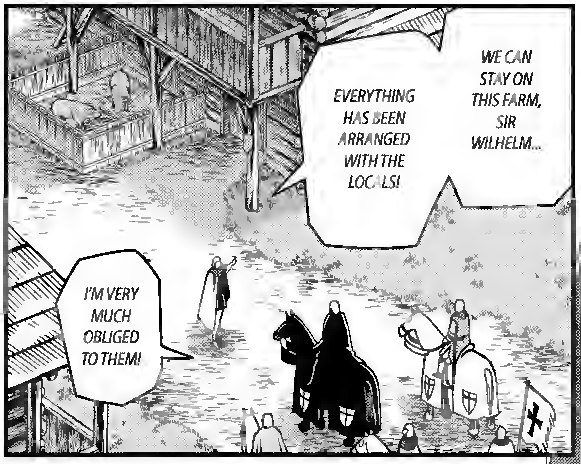

Y'KNOW, WE WOULD REALLY LOVE FOR YOU TO JOIN OUR CHOIR.
THAT WAS BEAUTIFUL!

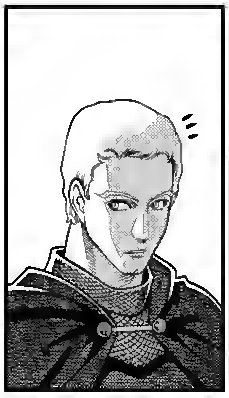

UH...

NEVER!
NO...


...
I HEARD THAT ALL HER LOVED ONES WERE EXECUTED IN FRONT OF HER!
REALLY? THAT'S HORRIFYING!


SHE DOES HAVE A LOVELY VOICE...
BUT AFTER WHAT SHE'S BEEN THROUGH, I WOULDN'T BE SURPRISED IF SHE'S GONE LOONY
MAYBE YOU SHOULDN'T CONVERSE WITH HER TOO MUCH...
OH?


EVERYTHING HAS BEEN ARRANGED WITH THE LOCALS!
WE CAN STAY ON THIS FARM, SIR WILHELM...
I'M VERY MUCH OBLIGED TO THEM!



IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE WE SLEPT WITH A ROOF OVER OUR HEADS!
REST UP, STURM!

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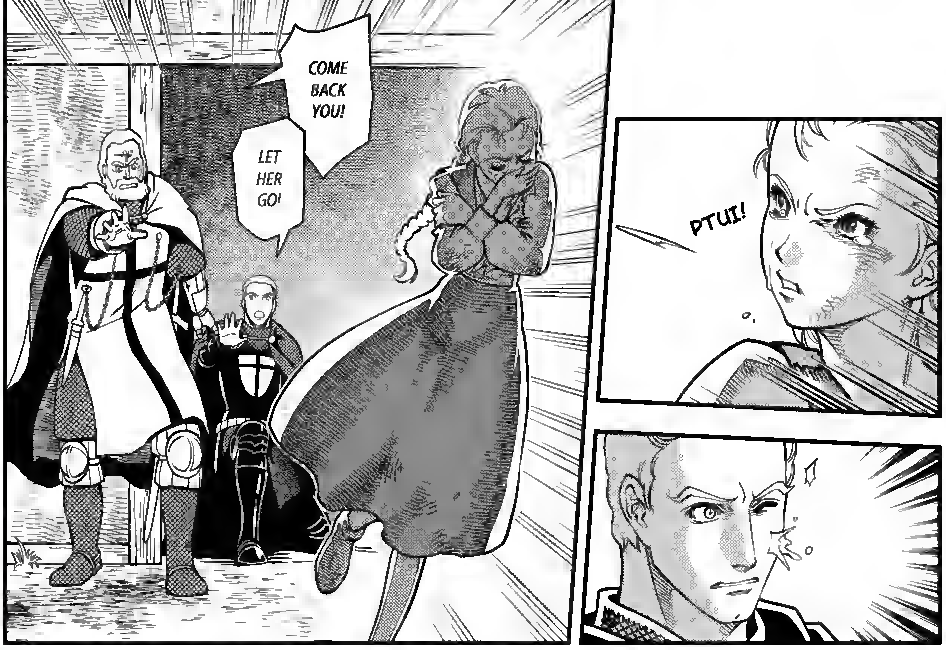
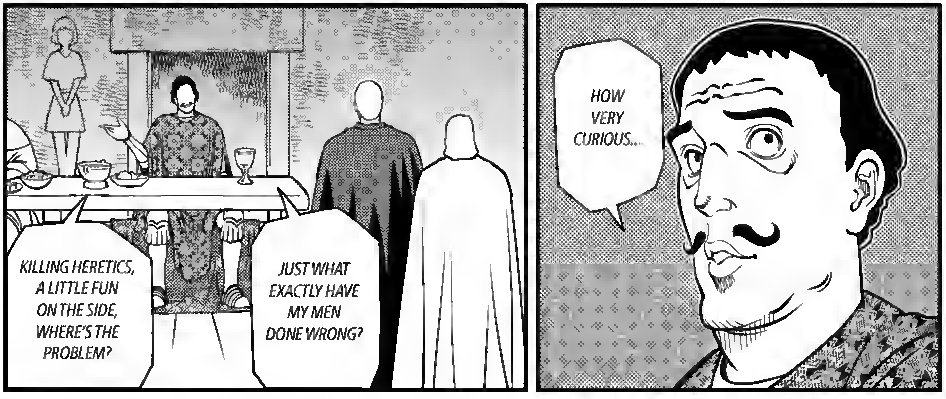
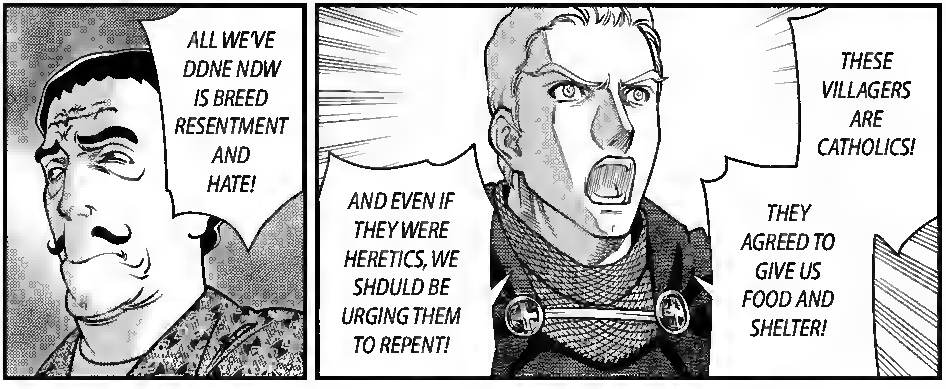
HEH HEH HEH! SHE PROBABLY DON'T LIKE BIG 'UNS!
AND SHE'S STILL STRUGGLING, THE WENCH!
BUT YOU ENTERTAINED US SO WELL YESTERDAY!
WELL, IF SHE'S CLOSIN' HER EYES, HOW COULD SHE
EEK!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
ARE YOU FROM THIS VILLAGE?
IT'S OVER NOW


COME BACK YOU!
LET HER GO!
PTUI!


KILLING HERETICS, A LITTLE FUN ON THE SIDE, WHERE'S THE PROBLEM?
JUST WHAT EXACTLY HAVE MY MEN DONE WRONG?
HOW VERY CURIOUS...


ALL WE'VE DDNE NDW IS BREED RESENTMENT AND HATE!
AND EVEN IF THEY WERE HERETICS, WE SHDULD BE URGING THEM TO REPENT!
THESE VILLAGERS ARE CATHOLICS!
THEY AGREED TO GIVE US FOOD AND SHELTER!

AND YOU, SIR, ARE UNFIT TO EVEN BEAR THE CROSS INTO WAR!
AND I'D APPRECIATE IF YOU STOP HARASSING MY SOLDIERS, EXHAUSTED BY THIS TRYING EXPEDITION, NO DOUBT!
ABSOLUTELY, MY SON!
BUT ISN'T THIS WHY WE HAVE INDULGENCES FOR CRUSADERS IN THE FIRST PLACE?
TO HAVE THEIR SINS FORGIVEN RIGHT, FATHER?
A CRUSADE THIS MAY BE BUT WAR IS WAR...
...!
SOLDIERS AND PRINCES ALIKE WILL HEED ITS CALL, FOR THE CHANCE TO PILLAGE AND PLUNDER!
BUT GÜNTHER..
SIR, PLEASE RESTRAIN YOURSELF
FOR YOUR LATE FATHER!
AND RESTORE THE TEUTONIC ORDER—
IF YOU EVER HOPE TO BECOME A TRUE KNIGHT—
I WANT YOU TO NEVER EVER FORGET THIS—

A WAR THIS IS, THEN.
LAMB OF GOD WHO TAKES AWAY THE SINS OF THE WORLD
LAMB OF GOD WHO TAKES AWAY THE SINS OF THE WORLD
HAVE MERCY UPON US
GRANT US PEACE
OUR VOICES... WE'RE IN HARMONY!

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THAT WAS REALLY COOL!
YEAH!
...
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THAT WAS BEAUTIFUL!
YOU'VE REALLY IMPROVED!
NOT BAD, FOR BEGINNERS!
RIGHT, GABRIELA?
WHAT.. SORRY, I WASN'T LISTENING!
STILL WORRIED ABOUT THE WORDS? YOU'LL DO FINE!
HELP! I CAN'T THINK OF ANYTHING!
THAT'S EASY FOR YOU TO SAY!
ME?
LYRICS?
OF COURSE YOU CAN! WHO BETTER THAN FATHER MIKULÁŠ' FAVOURITE PUPIL?
BUT I CAN'T DO THIS!
NOT JUST THE CHOIR...
I WOULD LIKE SOMETHING THAT EVERYONE CAN SING TO,

ALL RIGHT, ONCE AGAIN FROM THE TOP.
EVERYONE HERE HAVING FUN?
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'COS IF YOUR SONGS CAN BEAT OOWN THE ENEMY, I'D LIKE TO LEARN THEM TOO!
COULO YOU TELL ME WHAT YOU'LL BE SINGING ON THE BATTLE-FIELD?
HA HA HA! DREAM ON!
THAT'LL PUT 'EM IN THEIR PLACE!
FOR WHAT, THRESH-ING THE ENEMY'S GRAIN?
CAPTAIN ŽIŽKA SAYS THE TOOLS WE HAVE IN HAND ARE BETTER THAN SWORDS AND HALBERDS
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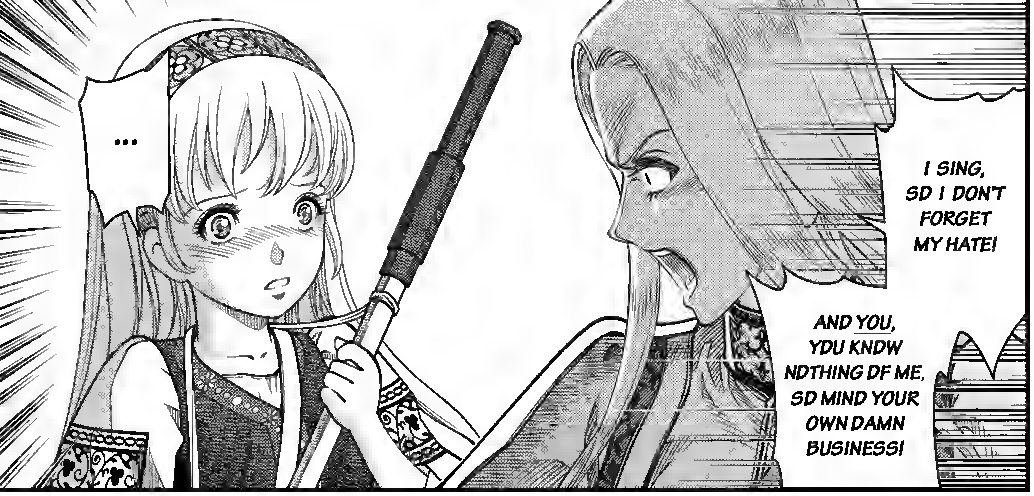
OH, REALLY? ANO HOW DO YOU PLAN TO FIGHT, WITH YOUR SCYTHES ANO FLAILS?
WILL YOU BE MOWING THE FIELO OURING COMBAT?
AND GOD MARCHES WITH US!
THOSE SONGS ARE HYMNS TO GOD!

BUT THIS WAR WILL BE UNLIKE ANY YOU'VE EVER BEEN IN!
NONE OF US ARE SEASONED MERCENARIES LIKE YOUR GOOD SELF!
THIS IS A FIGHT TO DEFEND OUR FAITH!
ENOUGH!
VERY ELOQUENTLY PUT, BALDY!
BUT WAIT TILL YDU GET THAT FIRST WHIFF., OF THE STENCH THAT MAKES OUR DAY!
A FIGHT FOR OUR FAITH..
THANK YOU, FATHER!

IT MUST BE THE CRUSADERS!
THE ENTIRE VILLAGE MASSACRED?
YOU SAY THAT AGAIN!
MON-STER!
HOW CAN YOU EVEN LAUGH AT THE SIGHT OF THIS?
HA HA HA! IT'S THE AROMA OF THE BATTLEFIELD!
WHAT, CAN'T STOMACH IT?
HOW IS THIS HORROR EVEN POSSIBLE?
BLEGH, THE STENCH!
GASP!
RIGHT!!!
EVERYONE KEEP IN GROUPS OF FIVE!
LET'S SPLIT UP AND LOOK FOR SURVIVORS!

SHE'S IN HER WEDDING DRESS...
LAURA!
MY GOD, IT'S HORRIBLE!
SO HOW WERE THEY?
THEY GOT YOU TOO, HUH?
DID THEY FORCE YOU TO SING, TDO?
AND MAKE YOU DO THINGS NOT EVEN A WHORE WOULD DO?
NO?
WELL, I DON'T NEED TO HEAR...
YOU AND YOUR MERRY LITTLE JINGLES!
WE DON'T NEED TO HEAR THIS...
AS YOUR FAMILY AND YOUR FIANCÉ WATCHED...
LAURA, STOP!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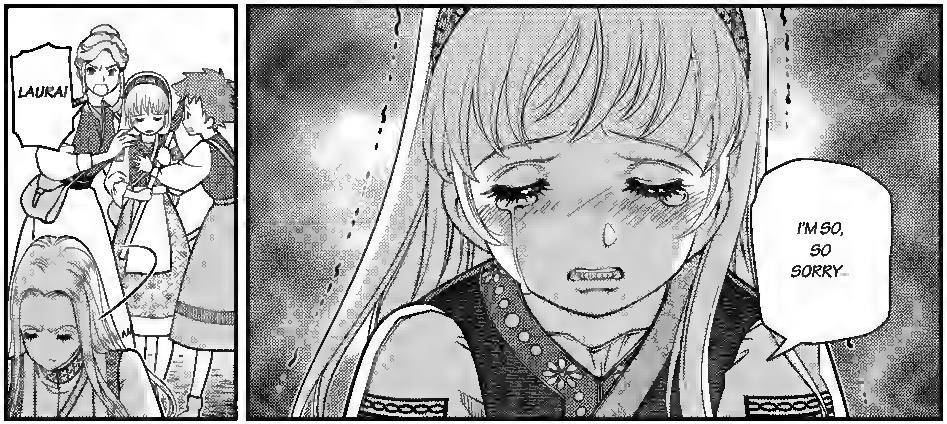
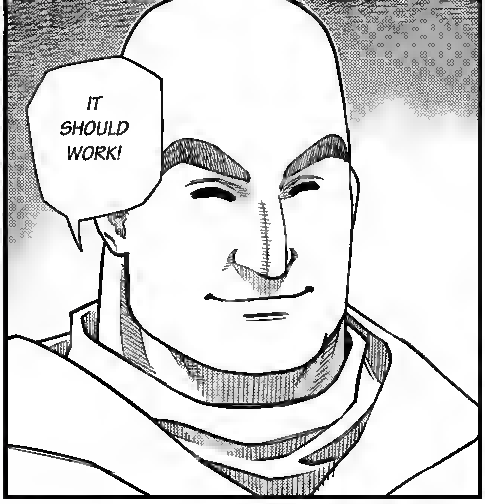
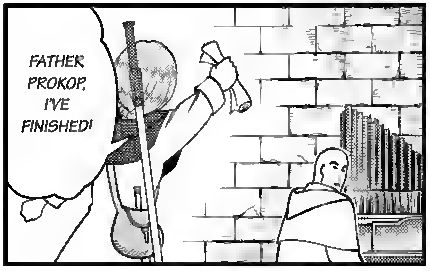
I SING, SO I DON'T FORGET MY HATE!
AND YOU, YOU KNOW NOTHING OF ME. SO MIND YOUR OWN DAMN BUSINESS!

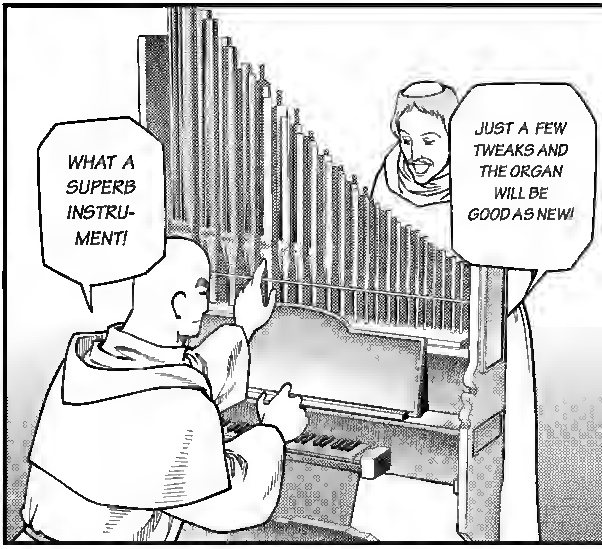

LAURA!
I'M SO, SO SORRY...

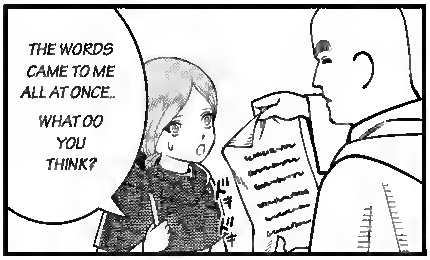
WE MUST DEAL WITH THIS NOW, OR EVERYTHING WILL FALL APART BEFORE WE EVEN FACE THE ENEMY!
WE'RE A BUNCH OF OLD MERCENARIES, PEASANTS, WOMEN AND KIDS, HASTILY ASSEMBLED AND SURROUNDED ON ALL SIDES!
WHAT DID YOU EXPECT?
THE PEOPLE ARE SHAKEN BY ALL THIS... SOME HAVE DESERTED...
DON'T TOUCH THE BODIES, THEY'RE ALL BLOATED!
OPEN ALL THE WINDOWS, AND FILL UP THE TANKS!
JAN...

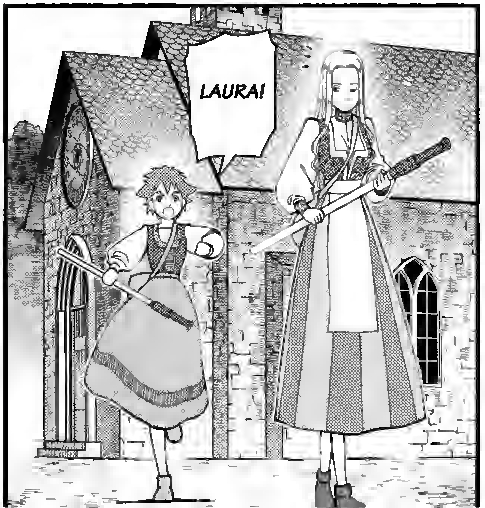

IT SHOULD WORK!

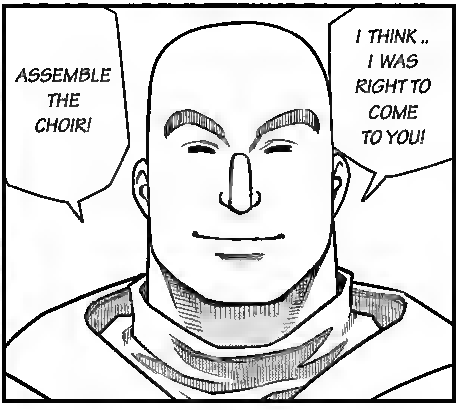
I MAY HAVE AN IDEA...


FATHER PROKOP, I'VE FINISHED!


WHAT A SUPERB INSTRU-MENT!
JUST A FEW TWEAKS AND THE ORGAN WILL BE GOOD AS NEW!


THE WORDS CAME TO ME ALL AT ONCE..
WHAT DO YOU THINK?


LAURA!

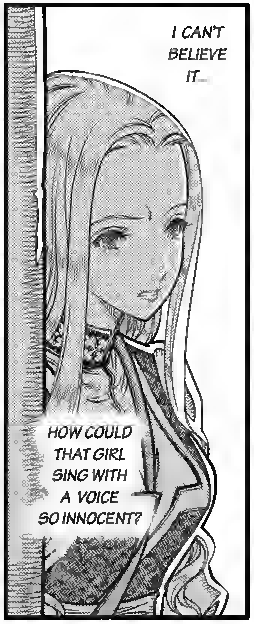

ASSEMBLE THE CHOIR!
I THINK .. I WAS RIGHT TO COME TO YOU!

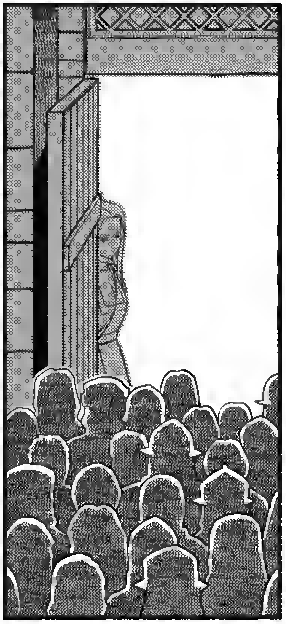
THEY SLAUGHTERED HER WHDLE FAMILY!
SHE'S THE SOLE SURVIVDR IN HER ENTIRE VILLAGE!
THEY EVEN KILLED HER FIANCÉ!
WHADDYA WANT?
IT'S ŠÁRKA!
IF THERE'S ANYONE WHO KNOWS HOW YOU FEEL..
AND ŠÁRKA CERTAINLY DOESN'T DESERVE TO SUFFER YDUR ABUSE!
YDU'RE NOT THE DNLY DNE WHD HAS SUFFERED!
I DIDN'T KNOW
...
I GOT NOTHING ELSE TO SAY TO YOU..
GOOD DAY!
WAIT!
WHAT'S GOING ON!
HEY, DON'T PUSH!
NO POINT COMPLAINING! WE'RE ALL PACKED IN HERE!
HI
HI

TOMORROW IT COULD BE YOU...
THIS IS HOW THE ENEMY WORKS!
THIS IS THE REALITY OF WAR!
BUT KEEP IN MIND...
YOU'VE ALL WORKED HARD TO BURY THE DEAD!
IS EVERYONE HERE?
I WANNA GO HOME
HOPE WE DON'T END UP LIKE THAT!
WHY IS HE SCARING THEM EVEN MORE?
UGH, THINKING ABOUT IT GIVES ME THE CREEPS!
HEE HEE
I DUNNO HOW RESTFUL IT IS TO SLEEP WITH MAGGOTS
SO JUST HURRY IT UP, WILL YA?
AND PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THEIR SOULS.
WE WILL NOW PERFORM A REQUIEM FOR OUR FALLEN BROTHERS AND SISTERS.

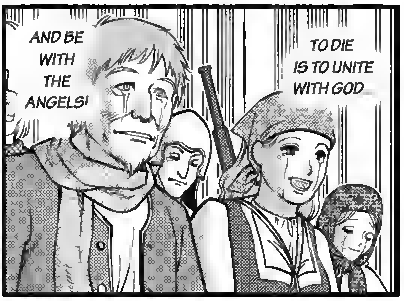
AND LET PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON THEM
ETERNAL REST GIVE UNTO THEM, O LORD

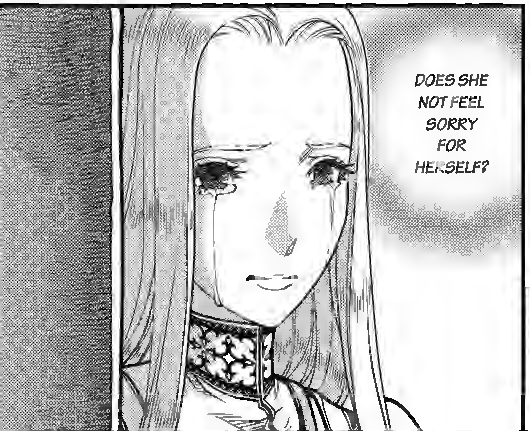
HEAR MY PRAYER, ALL FLESH SHALL COME BEFORE YOU; ETERNAL REST GIVE UNTO THEM, O LORD; AND LET PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON THEM.
A HYMN, O GOD, BECOMETH THEE IN ZION; AND A VOW SHALL BE PAID TO THEE IN JERUSALEM.


I CAN'T BELIEVE IT...
HOW COULD THAT GIRL SING WITH A VOICE SO INNOCENT?



IT'S TRUE, WE HAVE NOTHING TO FEAR...

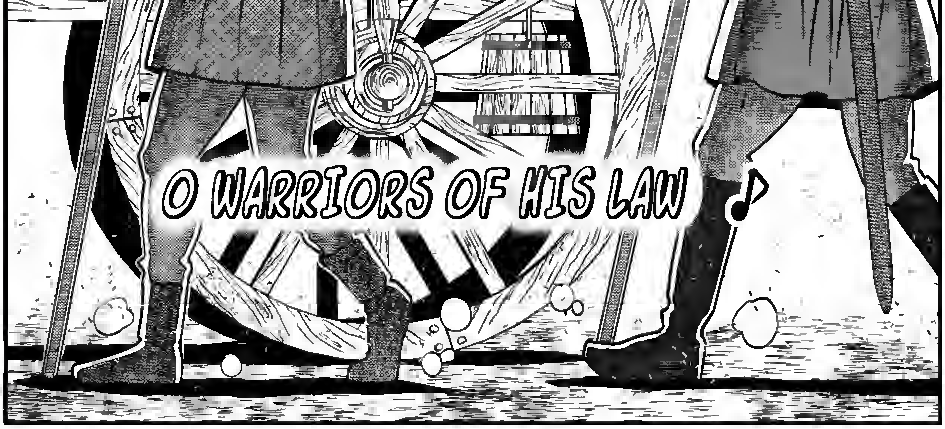

AND BE WITH THE ANGELS!
TO DIE IS TO UNITE WITH GOD...


DOES SHE NOT FEEL SORRY FOR HERSELF?

DOES SHE NOT FEAR THEM?
DOES SHE NOT HATE THE ENEMY?

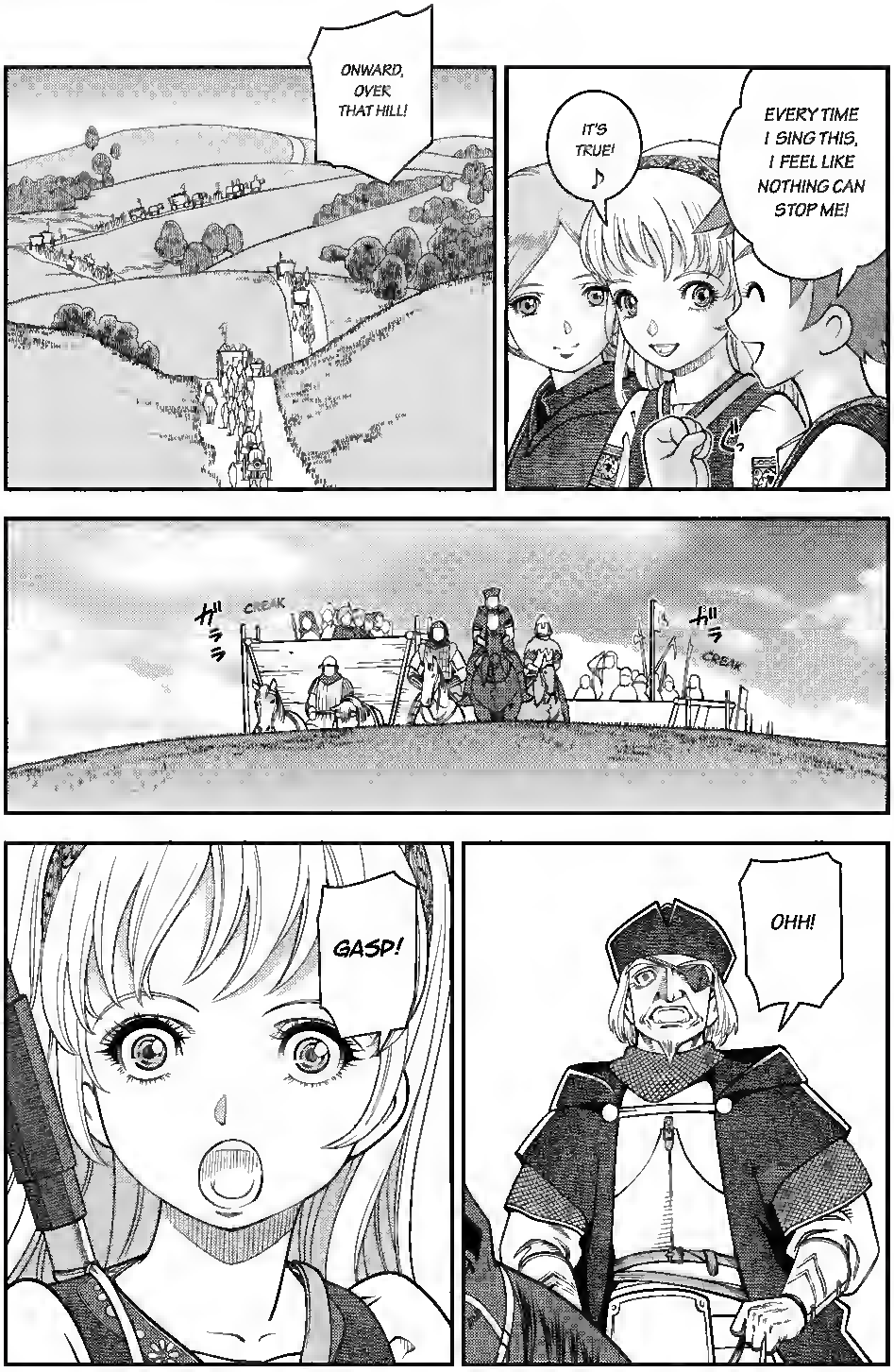
HA HA HA! CHECK IT OUT!
EVEN THOSE CLOWNS ARE TEARING UP!
JUST AS I EXPECT...
NO, EVEN BETTER!
WE WILL NOW PRESENT A HYMN FOR US TO SING TOGETHER.
THE WORDS AND MUSIC ARE SIMPLE SO EVERYONE CAN REMEMBER!

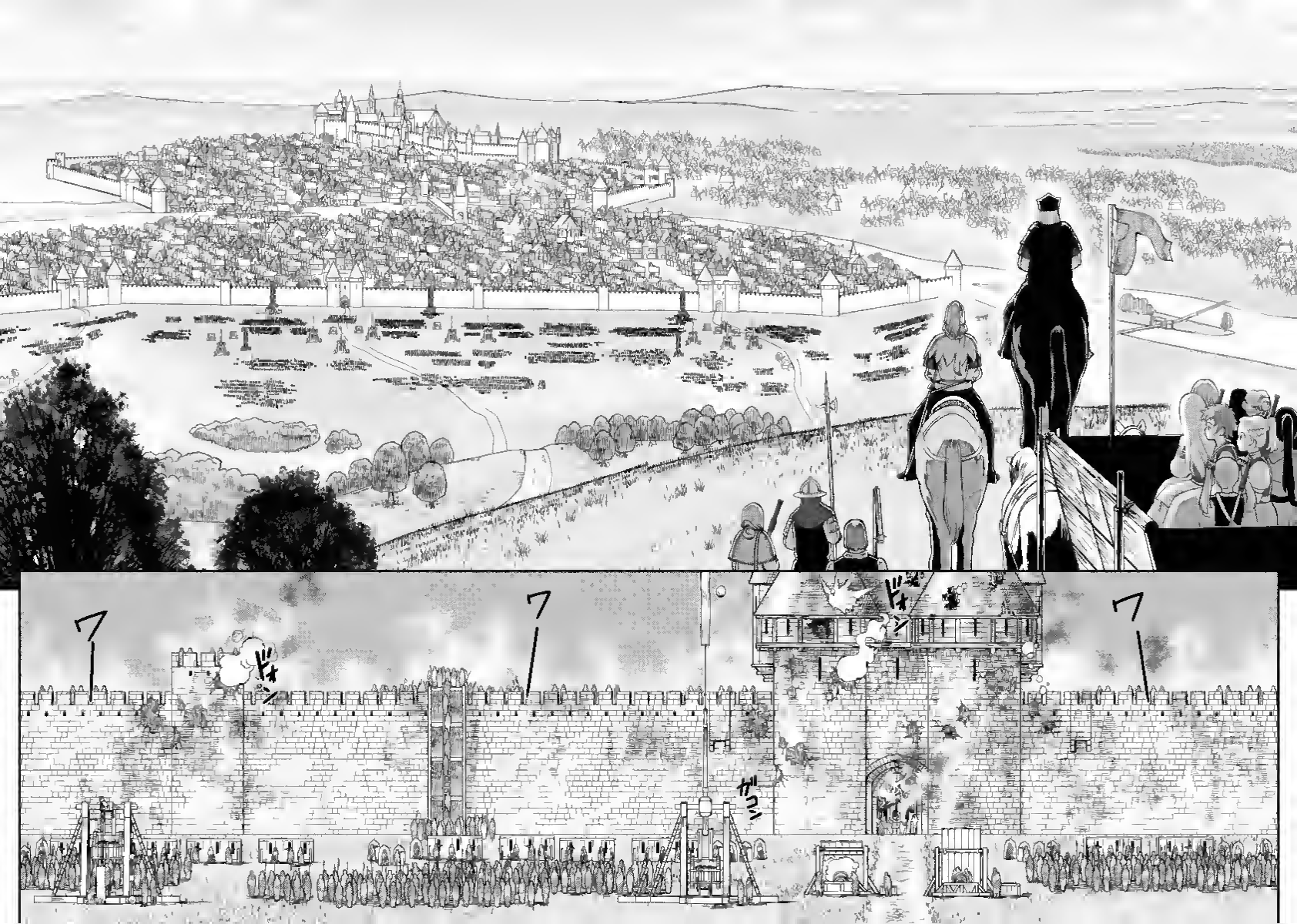
CLAP
パチ
パチ
CLAP
THIS IS SISTER GABRIELA, WHO WROTE THE LYRICS!
O YE SOLDIERS, GOD'S OWN WARRIORS


O WARRIORS OF HIS LAW ♪

PRAY TO HE WHO COMES TO AID YOU
IN HIM ALWAYS PLACE YOUR FAITH ♪

AND WITH HIM YOU ALWAYS
WILL BE VICTORIOUS! ♪


ONWARD, OVER THAT HILL!
IT'S TRUE! ♪
EVERY TIME I SING THIS, I FEEL LIKE NOTHING CAN STOP ME!
CREAK
CREAK
GASP!
OHH!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ガコン

THEY ARE ACTUALLY BESIEGING A CITY THAT BIG...
AND THE CRUSADERS...
IS THAT PRAGUE?
THAT'S THE CRUSADER CAMP?
SO MANY BANNERS!
LOOK, OVER THE OTHER SIDE!
ARE THEY THE ONES WE HAVE TO FIGHT AGAINST?
AN ARMY THIS LARGE!
IN ALL MY YEARS, I HAVE NEVER SEEN

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朱麗乃華
blue happy hack
永坂らんか

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解説 乙女戦争の時代

Dívčí Válka | ディーヴチー・ヴァールカ

ここでは、本作品で描かれている世界の時代背景について解説します。
歴史を知れば、より深く、この物語をお楽しみ頂けます。

文・大西巷一

其の一 フス戦争とは？

聖職者の堕落を批判したフスの処刑が嚆矢

15世紀初め、日本では足利義満の下で北山文化が花開いていた頃、中央ヨーロッパのボヘミア王国の都プラハでは、ヤン・フスという神学者の説教が民衆の大人気を博していました。

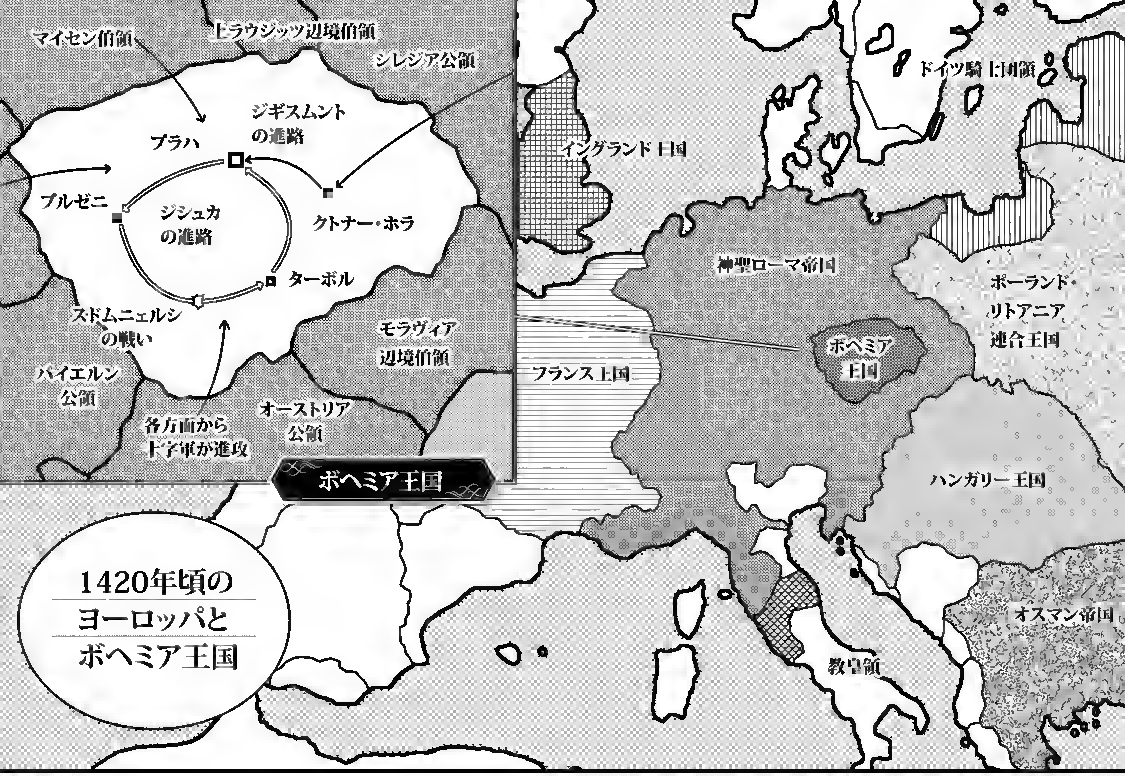
フスはわかりやすい語り口で聖書の教えを説くとともに、聖職者の堕落を厳しく批判しました。当時、聖職者が金儲けに走ったり特権を利用して不正を行ったり、その腐敗は目に余るものがありました。しかも教会の総元締めである教皇庁は分裂状態で、3人の教皇が並び立つという異常事態でした。

教皇の1人が贖宥状（免罪符）を販売し始めると、フスは教皇をも批判し、そのために破門を宣告されます。それでもフスの支持者はボヘミアを中心にますます増え、次第に社会改革運動へと発展していきました。

その頃、神聖ローマ皇帝ジギスムントの働きかけでコンスタンツ公会議が開かれます。この会議により3人の教皇は廃され、新教皇マルティネス5世が誕生し、教皇庁の再統一が実現します。

フスもこの会議に招聘されていましたが、ジギスムントが安全を保証していたにも関わらず逮捕され、1415年、異端者として火炙りにされてしまいます。

この仕打ちにフスの支持者たちは激怒し、フス派とカトリッ



ク派の対立はさらに激しくなっていきます。

この頃からフス派は「両種聖餐」を主張するようになりました。これは、聖職者も平信徒も等しくパンとワインの両方でミサに預かるべきだという考えで、平信徒はパンだけで十分という従来のカトリックの考えと相容れないものでした。やがて聖杯はフス派のシンボルマークとなります。

1419年、ついに両派の対立は臨界点を超えます。フス派の中でも特に過激な説法で支持を集めていた説教師ヤン・ジェリフスキーが、支持者と共にプラハ新市街の市庁舎に乱入し、カトリック派の参事会員らを窓から放り投げて殺害するという事件が起きます。ボヘミア王ヴァーツラフ4世は、この事件の報告に驚くあまり急死してしまいます。

ボヘミア王位はヴァーツラフの弟である皇帝ジギスムントが継ぐことになりましたが、フスを殺した張本人とも言える人物を迎えることにボヘミアのフス派は猛反発し、ついに戦争へと突入します。

翌1420年、ジギスムントは、教皇と協力してフス派撲滅のための十字軍を発動し、これに応じたヨーロッパ各地の諸侯らと、自ら治めるハンガリー軍からなる大軍を率いてボヘミアへと入ります。

同じ頃、終末思想に導かれて集まった熱心なフス派信者は、ボヘミア南部に要塞都市ターボルを築き、フス派の傭兵隊長ヤン・ジシュカが農民主体の新しい軍隊を組織します。

このターボル軍が中心となってフス派は激しく抗戦し、十数年にわたる激戦が繰り広げられることになります。

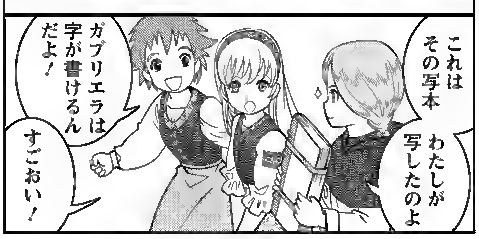
其の二

文化・生活・食物

一般人は聖書を読めないのが普通だった

ボヘミアの住民の大半はスラブ系のチェコ人でしたが、入植した農民や、都市の商人、領主貴族などのドイツ系住民も多くいました。チェコ人とドイツ人は言葉や文化もかなり違っていました。チェコ語でドイツ人を意味するニェメツ（Němec）は「口がきけない人」という意味だったりします。

言葉と言えば、当時カトリック教会ではラテン語の聖書のみが使われ、ミサでの朗読もラテン語で行われたため一般人には



チンプンカンプンでした。誰でも聖書の教えを学べるようチェコ語で説教を行い、聖書をチェコ語に翻訳したのがヤン・フスです。のちにターボルを訪れたある聖職者は、一介の老婆までが司教のように聖書を解釈できると言って、教育熱の高さに驚いたといいます。

食事は麦のパンや粥が主食でした。タンパク源には豚などの家畜の他、鯉などの淡水魚がよく食べられ、養殖も盛んでした。

衣服はチェコの民族衣装の特徴がこの時代にも表れていたと考えられます。ルバーシュという肌着に、男性はズボン、女性はスカートというのが基本形で、想像でアレンジしながら描いています。ちなみに寝る時は裸になるのが基本で、夜着は一部の裕福な家にしかなかったようです。

其の三 ピーシュチャラとは？

「ピーシュチャラ」は「ピストル」の語源

ヨーロッパで火薬兵器の《大砲》が使われ始めたのは14世紀に入ってからで、14世紀の後半には大砲を小型化した《銃》が登場しています。銃はチェコ語では「ピーシュチャラ（pistala）」と呼ばれました。「笛」という意味があり、「ピストル」の語源だと言われています。

作中でも語られているとおり、この頃の銃はまだ当時主力の飛び道具である弓や弩には大きく劣る貧弱な武器だったようです。実際フス派軍も銃よりはるかに多くの弩を装備していました。

ただ銃には、腕力が必要なく、操作が簡単である（従って習得しやすい）という利点がありました。こうした特徴から、本作ではピーシュチャラを女性専用の武器として描写しています。

当時はまだマイナーで補助的な武器だった銃や、専ら攻城用の兵器だった大砲を、本格的に戦場で活用したのは、ジシュカ率いるフス派軍が最初だったと言われています。

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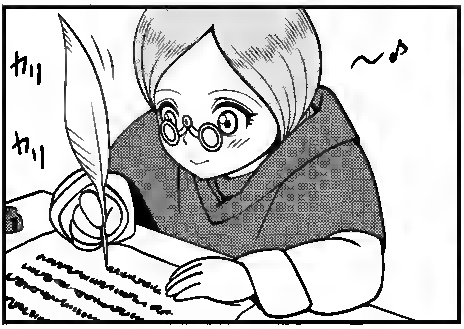
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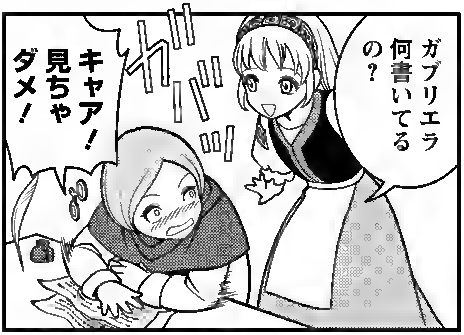
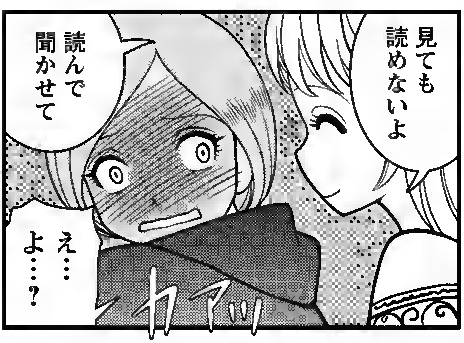
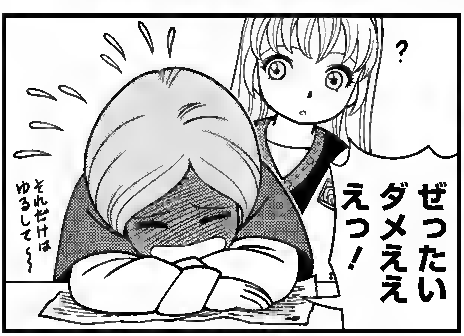

ガブリエラ何書いてるの？
キャア！見ちゃダメ！


見ても読めないよ
読んで聞かせて
え…よ…？


ぜったいダメええええっ！
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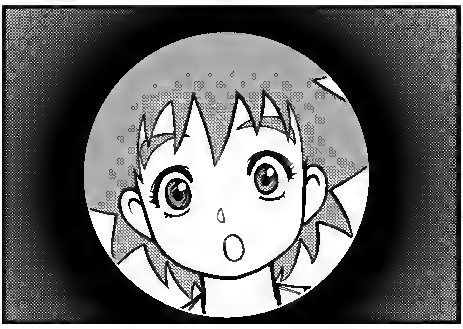
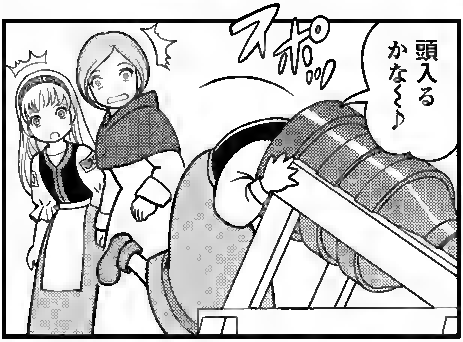
それだけはゆるして～

覗き趣味



こんな大砲もあるんだ～♪
ターニャよしなさい危ないわよ


頭入るかな～♪
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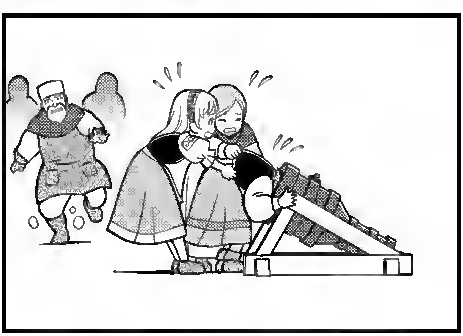

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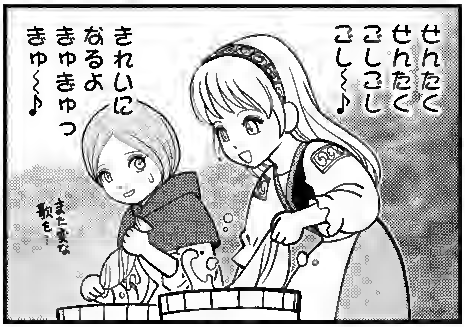

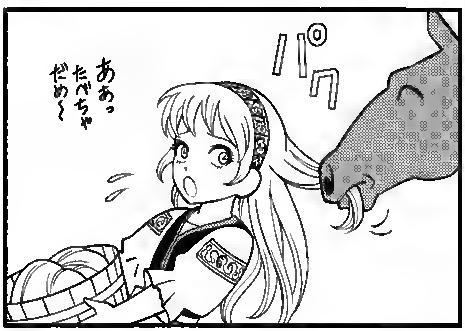

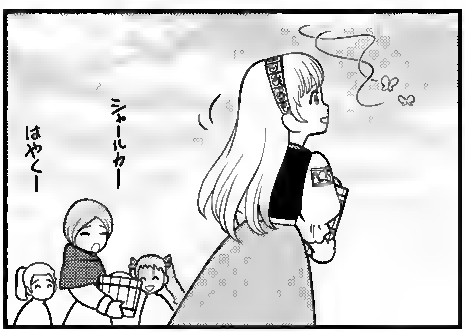

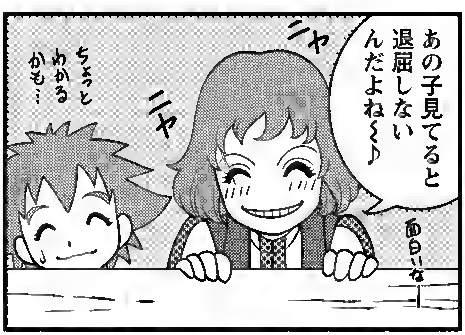

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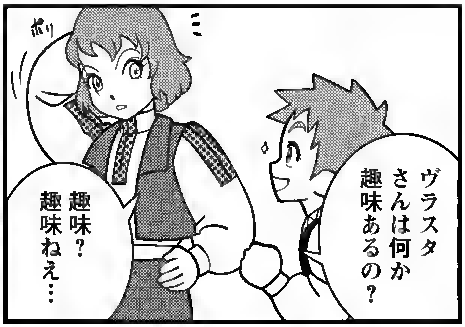

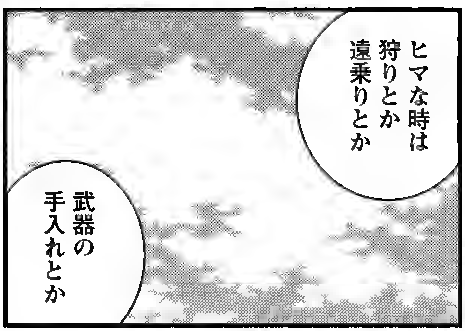

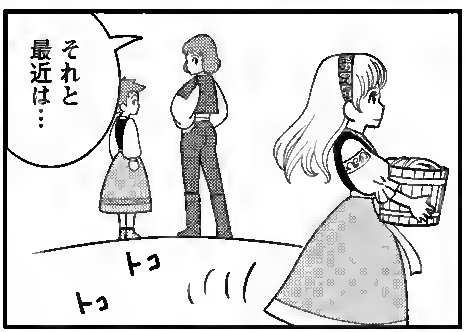

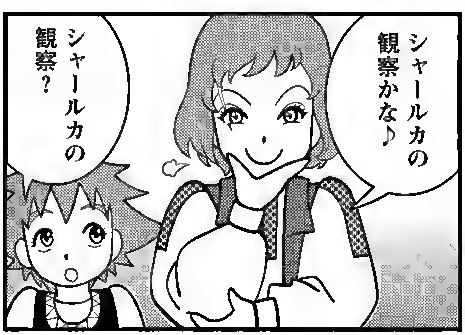

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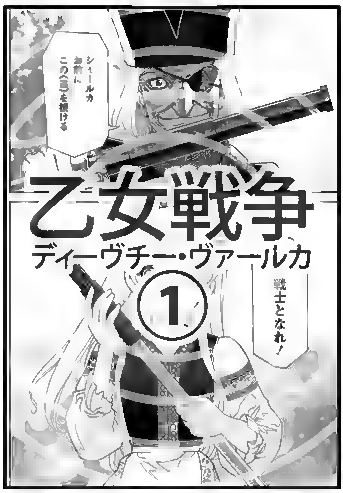

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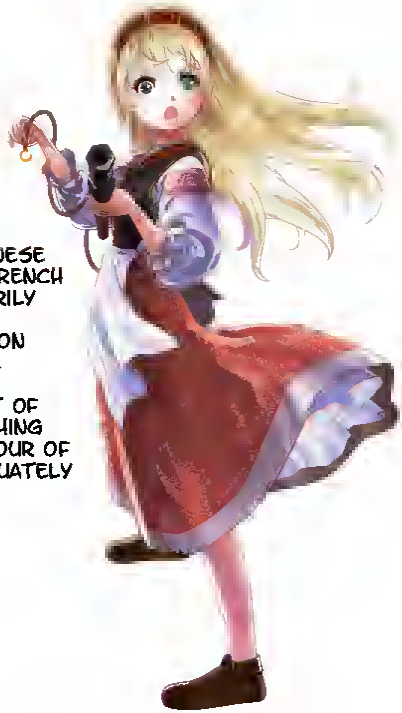

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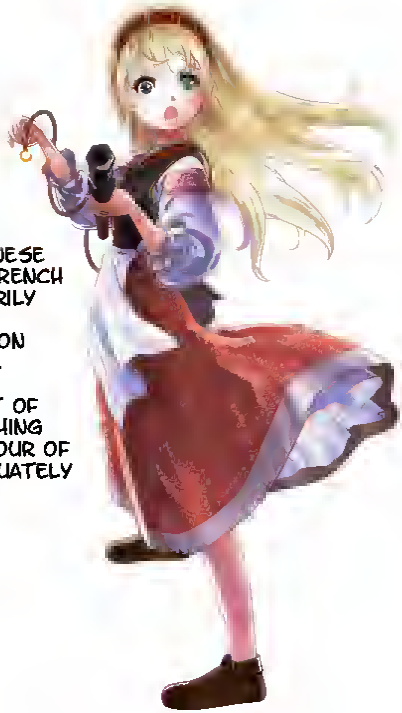

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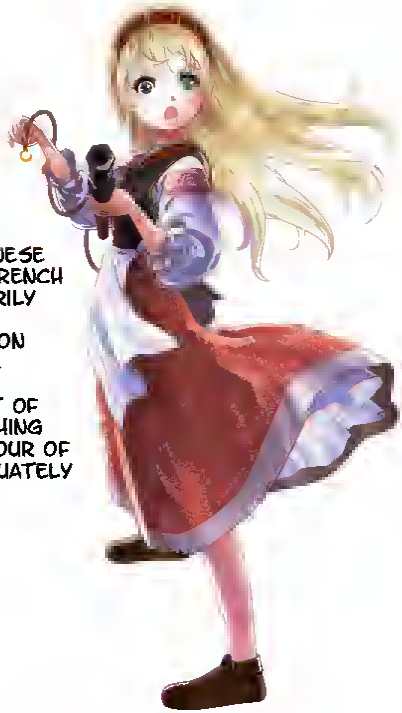

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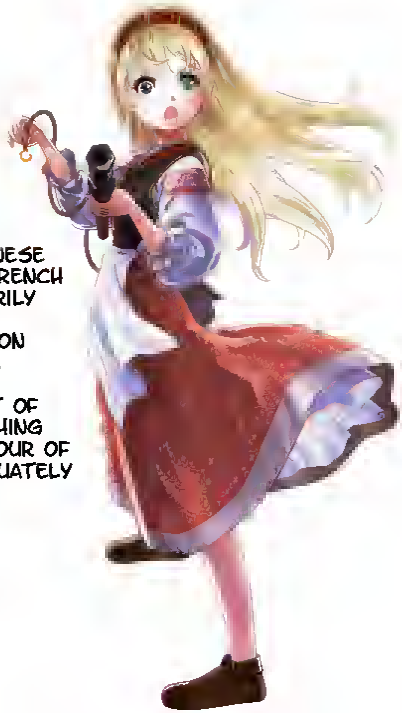

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